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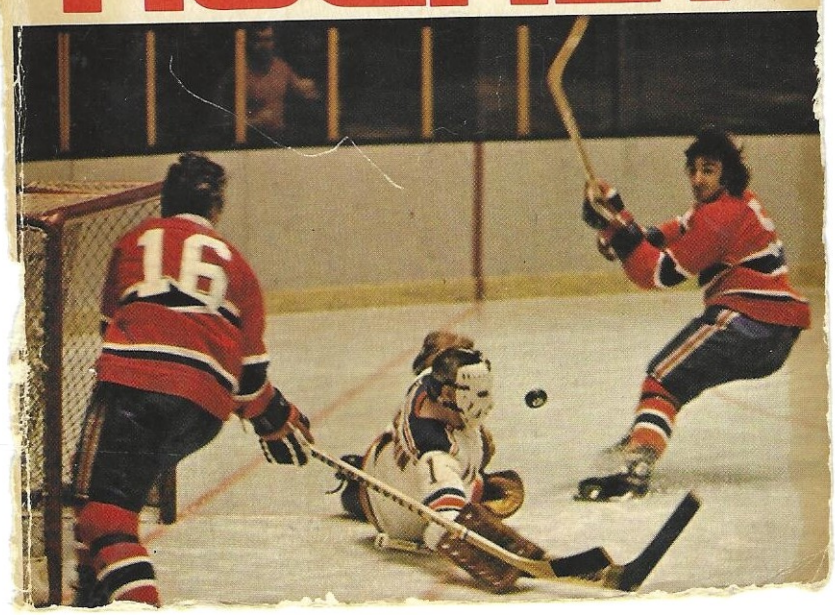

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Raise Your Boy To Be A Hockey Player

BY BOB VERDI
Chicago Tribune

There was a time when the red-blooded, sports-minded American father gave his son a baseball, glove and bat, and said, "Play well, and one day you may become a bonus boy."

For a few there would be gold—$100,000 was usually the top, although on occasion it went to $125,000—but baseball eventually gave way to football when it came to tapping the owners' till. Spurred by the war (since resolved by merger) between the NFL and the then-upstart AFL, and $400,000 contracts like the one paid a rookie named Namath, dads across the country changed uniforms.

"Son," went the chorus. "This is a football. Take it. Run with it. Pass it. Kick it. Within your grasp is a Super Bowl."

Well, dad, let's face it. That's over with. The new toy for teething is a rubber puck. Followed by a pair of ice skates and, of course, an adding machine. The prescription is clear: Raise your lad to be a hockey player.

The time, you see, is ripe for that species of homo sapien who makes his home on the ice. Consider, for one, the case of Hubert Jacques Pit Martin, center for the Chicago Black Hawks.

"There used to be a time," he grins, "when a hockey player would go into talk contract with management and have very little going for him. He would try to negotiate in good faith, try to get what he thought he was worth, and try to get whatever security he could for his family. But in the end, management had you pretty well backed into a corner. You either took what they offered, or took a walk. Of course, things have changed. Now . . . "

Derek Sanderson plays the money game.

Now the world of professional pucks and bucks is vastly different than that tidy little family of a half dozen National Hockey League franchises which existed unto themselves as recently as 1966. Now there are more alternatives for the skating mercenary. Sixteen teams (and more coming) in the NHL. More importantly, a rival league—the World Hockey Association—with twelve teams (and more coming). Lots and lots of job openings, and not enough quality applicants.

Detroit's Mickey Redmond: A $1-million pact

And what were you saying, Mr. Martin?

"Now is our inning," he concludes. "We're only in this game for a few years, so we should try to capitalize."

How they have. The numbers of teams, you'll soon see, beget numbers of astronomical salaries. The list reads like Who's Who in Banking.

Item: Andre Lacroix, a center of nominal fame, collected four goals in parts of 51 games for the Chicago Black Hawks in 1971-72, a winter in which he wore out precious few skates. The WHA appeared and beckoned Andre back to Philadelphia, from whence he came. Andre went, autographing a multi-year contract "for between $300,000 and $500,000." Andre revealed, "I am happy." Who wouldn't be?

Item: Mickey Redmond, a 52-goal scoring all-star right wing, threatened to jump to the WHA last summer. The Detroit Red Wings couldn't allow that to happen, so Redmond signed a five-year pact in excess of $1 million. "A few years ago when I was with Montreal," recalled Redmond, "if I'd

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NHL vs. Russia: A TV Guide To the New Series

BY GEORGE HANSON
Montreal Star

(For a decade, the Russians had studied Canadian hockey. Steadily, they implemented their lessons until they were

Comrades: Ranger Brad Park and Russia's Solodukhin

completely upstaging 'the home of hockey' and the rest of the world by sweeping world and Olympic titles. In a vicious dispute concerning 'open' competition, Canada withdrew from the world amateur scene in 1969. The cry went up in Canada that the professionals would teach the Russians a lesson and a series between the Soviet and professionals became a Holy Grail.

Finally, in 1972, such a series materialized—four games in Canada, four in Russia, with Team Canada allowed to employ anyone and everyone. While roundly applauded, the fact the cautious Russians had agreed to the series meant to many that they felt they had an edge. Russia rarely enters an arena without having carefully studied all elements. Given the best professionals, coach Harry Sinden was to avenge past Canadian disasters.

It almost didn't work out. Russia thumped Canada in the first game in a startling moment of truth for Canadians. Eventually, Canada did prevail. They won the last game, in Russia, during the final seconds and emerged with a 4-3-1 margin. The USSR thus became a 'legitimate' hockey power and this year there is as much excitement because two Russian league teams will tour the United States meeting NHL clubs on a club vs. club basis, not all stars. To hockey aficionados, it is another dream series. It is one measure to have the best vs. the best, another to have 'normal' teams clash.)

It was late on the afternoon of June 13.

National Hockey League president Clarence Campbell stood in the press room reserved for purveyors of wisdom during the league's meetings at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel in Montreal.

He was making official what most people knew or, at least, had accurately guessed.

"The Russians will send two teams, two league teams, to play an eight-game series against National Hockey League teams," the white-maned president intoned.

He named them, making it official: Boston, New York, Buffalo, St. Louis, Detroit, Chicago, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. No, there were no Canadian-based teams involved. Only one had expressed a willingness to play and it was turned down. The Stanley Cup champion Montreal Canadiens weren't interested. No, Mr. Campbell did not know why.

In view of Russia's performance the previous year against all the best, opinions were voiced that perhaps the Canadiens

were the smart ones . . . to avoid the Soviets. Conversely, the optimists felt it was another and truer opportunity to assess Russian strength while providing great impact for the game in the United States.

After all, a Russian vs. American confrontation in anything is still a major test of the two most powerful nations in the world. And, better to have these confrontations in sports arenas than in exchanges of ICBMs.

Beyond the satisfaction such games give fans, the excitement generated by international games, reaction to the series was—and remains—mixed. In the views of the upper echelons of the sport, pros and cons are academic and even when results are final, nothing will really have been proved. Excepting the fact the Russians will have learned further.

Looking back to the autumn of 1972 and a series of enormous emotional impact in both Canada and the Soviet Union, there were safety valves for both sides. Professional hockey people, analyzing the unexpected closeness of the series, were able to view with satisfaction that it bent in favor of the pros in Russia. It is axiomatic that the home team has the advantage in this sport. However, more important, the pros pointed out that it was an 'early' series in the habit pattern of the pros and that they didn't 'find' their legs until they arrived in Russia.

Conversely, the Russians were able to argue that—after all—the pros are supposed to be the world's best and it was a moral victory for them. In rebuttal, it was noted that Sinden was faced with welding an all-star unit together against a Soviet system which works 11 months a year at processing one super team. Etc. Etc. Etc.

In the wake of lessons learned from that series, any or all of the NHL clubs tackling these 'ordinary' teams from the USSR, could and should hold their own—winning or losing by close margins.

For example: it was finally accepted that the Russians are masters of positional play, unresponsive to the North American habits of improvising. On that basis, teams such as New York Rangers and Minnesota, superb positionally and certainly steeped in improvisation, should have few fears.

Skating is another Russian plus, a major plus. Most of the eight NHL teams facing them have excellent skating.

Goaltending had been seen a weakness of the Russians but

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Inside the NHL

By

DICK JOHNSTON
Buffalo Evening News

HUGH DELANO
New York Post

	EAST	WEST
PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH	Montreal	Chicago
	N.Y. Rangers	Minnesota
	Boston	Philadelphia
	Buffalo	Los Angeles
	Detroit	St. Louis
	Toronto	Pittsburgh
	Vancouver	Atlanta
	N.Y. Islanders	California

STANLEY CUP: Montreal

The Montreal Canadiens appear to have just too much, on the ice and in reserve, for any other club to dethrone them as champions of the National Hockey League.

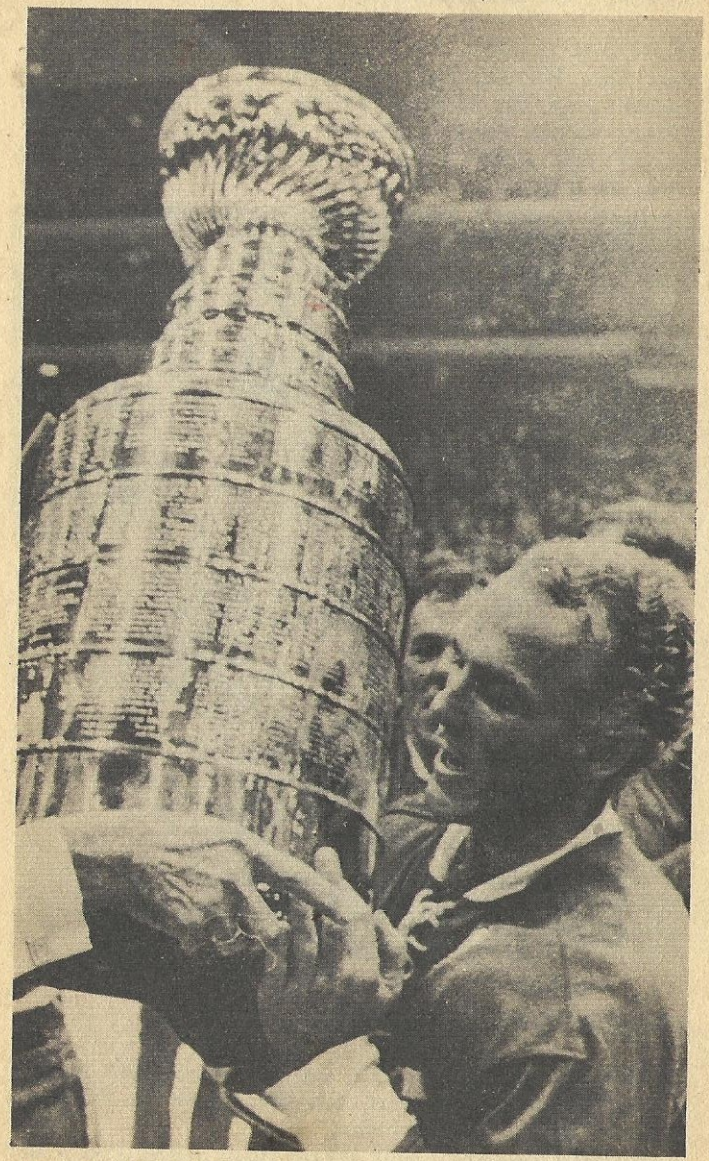
Philadelphia, in the West Division, and Buffalo, in the East, look like the coming threats. Both are young, spirited clubs with excellent coaching and did well against the Canadiens in the 1973 playoffs.

The Sabres, however, have some way to go before they overtake the Boston Bruins and New York Rangers, who appear ready to fight it out again for second in the East.

Both the Bruins and Rangers, especially the extremely-well-paid New Yorkers, are sometimes accused of complacency. They can't afford to be complacent with the Canadiens above and the Sabres below.

Detroit and maybe Toronto will challenge Buffalo for the final playoff spot.

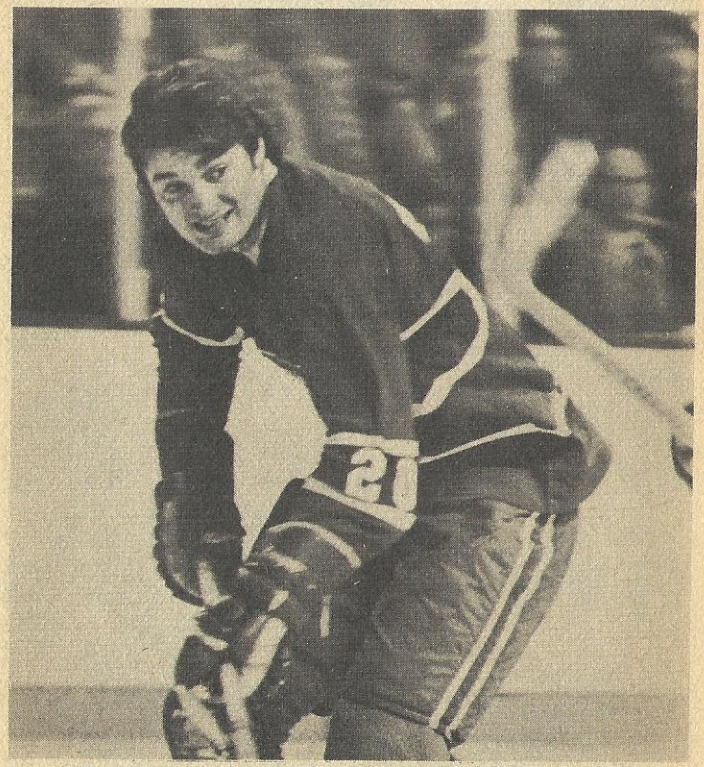
The Flyers appear capable of giving the defending Chicago Black Hawks a run for the title in the West, with the Minnesota North Stars making it a three-way struggle. St. Louis, Pittsburgh and Los Angeles, plus possibly Atlanta, will battle for fourth place.



Canadien Henri Richard holds the '73 Stanley Cup, his 11th.

MONTREAL CANADIENS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Jacques Courtois; V.P. and Gen. Mgr.: Sam Pollock; V.P.: Jean Beliveau; Asst. Gen. Mgr.: Ronald Caron; Dir. of Pub.: Rolland Ricard; Chief Scout: Del Wilson; Coach: Scotty Bowman. Home ice: The Forum (16,500; 200′ x 85′). Colors: Red, white, and blue. Training camp: Montreal.



Pete Mahovlich, at 6-5, is the NHL's tallest player.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: How other NHL coaches would like to have Scotty Bowman's problems, one being how to fit all his forwards into the allotted roster.

Bowman lost Marc Tardif, Rejean Houle and Murray Wilson from his Stanley Cup champions but he has plenty of talent

CANADIENS ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
26	Pierre Bouchard	D	6-2	195	2-20-48/Montreal, Que.	Montreal	0	7	7	69
12	Yvan Cournoyer	RW	5-7	165	11-22-43/Drummondville, Que.	Montreal	40	39	79	18
	Bob Gainey	LW	6-1	184	12-13-53/	Peterborough	22	21	43	99
	Dave Gardner	C	6-0	180	8-23-52/Toronto, Ont.	Montreal	1	1	2	0
						Nova Scotia	28	44	72	15
	Eddie Gilbert	RW	5-11	175	3-12-52/Hamilton, Ont.	Nova Scotia	21	18	39	20
	Glen Goldup	RW	5-11	185	4-26-53/	Toronto (OHA)	42	53	95	173
10	Guy Lafleur	RW	6-0	180	9-20-51/Thurso, Que.	Montreal	28	27	55	51
	Yvon Lambert	LW	6-2	200	5-20-50/Drummondville, Que.	Nova Scotia	52	52	104	84
						Montreal	0	0	0	0
2	Jacques Laperriere	D	6-2	190	11-22-41/Rouyn, Que.	Montreal	7	16	23	34
5	Guy Lapointe	D	6-0	185	3-18-48/Montreal, Que.	Montreal	19	35	54	117
15	Claude Larose	RW	6-0	170	3-2-42/Hearst, Ont.	Montreal	11	23	34	30
24	Chuck Lefley	LW	6-2	190	4-9-50/Winnipeg, Man.	Montreal	21	25	46	22
25	Jacques Lemaire	C-LW	5-10	170	9-7-45/LaSalle, Que.	Montreal	44	51	95	16
27	Frank Mahovlich	LW	6-0	205	1-10-38/Timmins, Ont.	Montreal	38	55	93	51
20	Pete Mahovlich	C	6-4	210	10-10-46/Timmins, Ont.	Montreal	21	38	59	49
16	Henri Richard	C	5-7	160	2-29-36/Montreal, Que.	Montreal	8	35	43	21
6	Jim Roberts	D-RW	5-10	187	4-9-40/Toronto, Ont.	Montreal	14	18	32	28
19	Larry Robinson	D	6-3	190	2-6-51/Brockville, Ont.	Nova Scotia	6	33	39	33
						Montreal	2	4	6	20
18	Serge Savard	D	6-2	200	1-22-46/Montreal, Que.	Montreal	7	32	39	58
22	Steve Shutt	LW	5-11	185	7-1-52/Toronto, Ont.	Montreal	8	8	16	24
						Nova Scotia	4	1	5	2
	Pete Sullivan	C	5-9	165	7-25-51/Toronto, Ont.	Nova Scotia	10	14	24	8
	John VanBoxmeer	D	6-0	185	11-20-52/Petrolia, Ont.	Nova Scotia	5	29	34	139
17	Murray Wilson	LW	6-1	185	8-3-51/Ottawa, Ont.	Montreal	18	9	27	16
	Rich Wilson	D	6-1	195	8-10-50/Prince Albert, Sask.	Nova Scotia	4	11	15	163
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
29	Ken Dryden	G	6-4	215	8-8-47/Islington, Ont.	Montreal	54	119	6	2.26
	Dave Elenbaas	G	5-10	170	/Toronto, Ont.	Cornell U.	—	—	—	—
	Michel Larocque	G	5-11	185	4-6-52/Hull, Que.	Nova Scotia	47	113	1	2.50
1	Michel Plasse	G	5-11	175	6-1-48/Montreal, Que.	Montreal	17	40	0	2.58

left. And forwards from the Nova Scotia Voyageurs, Eastern Division champions of the American League, will try to elbow their way onto the team which scored 329 goals last season, only one short of league-leading Boston's total.

Jacques Lemaire and Yvan Cournoyer, top performer in the Stanley Cup playoffs, were both 40-goal scorers last season and Frank Mahovlich had 38. Bowman has several forwards capable of scoring the big goal when it is needed, notably the spry old center with the graying, wavy hair—Henri Richard—back, after all, with a hefty raise in pay. Plus Pete Mahovlich, Chuck Lefley and the penalty killers, Claude Larose and Jim Roberts.

You have to include the defensemen when you talk about the Canadiens' offense. Serge Savard, Guy Lapointe and Jacques Laperriere constantly are zeroing in from the point either for goals or rebounds the forwards convert.

DEFENSE: The Canadiens last season lost J.C. Tremblay and Terry Harper, two regulars, without it seeming to affect their defense. They gave up only 184 goals, 22 fewer than the next best club, the Rangers.

Savard came back after two broken legs to play as well as ever. Lapointe scored 19 goals, assisted on 35, and became a first-team all-star. Laperriere suffered injuries but still had a pretty good year. Larry Robinson and Pierre Bouchard, the young ones, can't do anything but get better. Somebody will be along to replace Bob Murdoch, traded to Los Angeles.

Despite back troubles, Ken Dryden again played in more games than any other goaltender in the league except California's Gilles Meloche and Chicago's Tony Esposito. And the lanky law school graduate posted the best goals-against average of all the regulars, 2.26, with a league-leading six shutouts in 54 games.

Behind Dryden is the promising Michael Plasse, who had a 2.58 average in 17 games. Wayne Thomas, the third man in the Vezina Trophy triumvirate and a 10-game participant, has departed.

OUTLOOK: Despite talk of dissension, the Canadiens were runaway champions of the East Division (by 13 points) and lost only five of 26 playoff games.

"There never was much trouble," noted Bowman after the Stanley Cup clincher, "nothing like people said." Even if there is some internal bickering, the Canadiens have the talent to win it all again.

CANADIEN PROFILES

HENRI RICHARD 37 5-7 160 **Forward**

Has been a member of 11 Stanley Cup teams, more than any player in the game . . . "My greatest thrill was skating around the rink in Chicago with the cup in my arms; it was much lighter than I thought it would be," says the graying Canadien captain . . . "He's an inspiration to all of us because he takes so much punishment and keeps coming back for more," says teammate Pete Mahovlich . . . Born Feb. 29, 1936, at Montreal, Que. . . . Passed his more celebrated brother Maurice (Rocket) Richard in scoring and was signed to two-year contract reported to be worth $400,000 . . . Starts 19th season with 978 career points.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1955-56	Montreal C.	64	19	21	40
1956-57	Montreal C.	63	18	36	54
1957-58	Montreal C.	67	28	52	80
1958-59	Montreal C.	63	21	30	51
1959-60	Montreal C.	70	30	43	73
1960-61	Montreal C.	70	24	44	68
1961-62	Montreal C.	54	21	29	50
1962-63	Montreal C.	67	23	50	73
1963-64	Montreal C.	66	14	39	53
1964-65	Montreal C.	53	23	29	52
1965-66	Montreal C.	62	22	39	61
1966-67	Montreal C.	65	21	34	55
1967-68	Montreal C.	54	9	19	28
1968-69	Montreal C.	64	15	37	52
1969-70	Montreal C.	62	16	36	52
1970-71	Montreal C.	75	12	37	49
1971-72	Montreal C.	75	12	32	44
1972-73	Montreal C.	71	8	35	43
	Totals	1165	336	642	978

GUY LAPOINTE 25 6-0 190 **Defenseman**

Projected himself into the picture as one of the best young defensemen in the NHL last season . . . Named to first all-star team with Bruins' Bobby Orr after scoring 19 goals and 54 points . . . "I think he's going to be better than the Rangers' Brad Park; he's got more talent," claims Boston's Derek Sanderson . . . Born March 18, 1948, at Montreal, Que. . . . Moves well with puck and has a hard, low shot from the

point . . . Matured last season as a defenseman and won respect of rival forwards with his hard-hitting style and intelligent play on defense.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Montreal C.	1	0	0	0
1969-70	Montreal C.	5	0	0	0
1970-71	Montreal C.	78	15	29	44
1971-72	Montreal C.	69	11	38	49
1972-73	Montreal C.	76	19	35	54
	Totals	229	45	102	147

YVAN COURNOYER 30 5-7 170 **Foward**

Nicknamed Roadrunner for his quickness and exceptional speed . . . "I'm not sure how fast I can skate, but I don't know of too many guys who can beat me," says the compact right wing . . . Scored the winning goal in the Canadiens' Stanley Cup-clinching conquest of Chicago . . . Won Conn Smythe Trophy as playoff MVP and broke playoff goal-scoring record with 15 . . . Born Nov. 22, 1943, at Drummondville, Que. . . . More offensive-minded than defensive-minded, but as a 40-goal scorer with one of hockey's hardest shots few people complain about his defensive deficiencies.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1963-64	Montreal C.	5	4	0	4
1964-65	Montreal C.	55	7	10	17
1965-66	Montreal C.	65	18	11	29
1966-67	Montreal C.	69	25	15	40
1967-68	Montreal C.	64	28	32	60
1968-69	Montreal C.	76	43	44	87
1969-70	Montreal C.	72	27	36	63
1970-71	Montreal C.	65	37	36	73
1971-72	Montreal C.	73	47	36	83
1972-73	Montreal C.	67	40	39	79
	Totals	611	276	259	535

PETE MAHOVLICH 27 6-5 205 **Forward**

Younger brother of Frank Mahovlich and the tallest player in the NHL . . . Fiery competitor who swings between center and left wing and often is called upon to kill penalties . . . More outgoing than his introverted older brother . . . Born

Oct. 10, 1946, at Timmins, Ont. . . . Uses his size and aggressive nature to good advantage . . . Missed 17 games with a knee injury last season and his goal production dropped to 21 after successive 35-goal seasons.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	3	0	1	1
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	34	1	3	4
1967-68	Detroit R.W.	15	6	4	10
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	30	2	2	4
1969-70	Montreal C.	36	9	8	17
1970-71	Montreal C.	78	35	26	61
1971-72	Montreal C.	75	35	32	67
1972-73	Montreal C.	61	21	38	59
	Totals	332	109	114	223

GUY LAFLEUR 22 6-0 175 **Forward**

With 29 and 28-goal seasons in his first two years with Montreal, this could be the year he projects himself into upper scoring echelon . . . Was Canada's most celebrated amateur in 1970-71 and became No. 1 draft choice after scoring 130 points . . . Born Sept. 20, 1951, at Thurso, Que. . . . Shifts between right wing and center, skates on power play and has scored 12 winning goals in his first two seasons . . . A smooth and elusive skater with or without the puck.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Montreal C.	73	29	35	64
1972-73	Montreal C.	70	28	27	55
	Totals	143	57	62	119

SERGE SAVARD 26 6-3 205 **Defenseman**

His career almost ended after suffering two fractured legs in goal-post collisions . . . Bounced back last season with his finest play since 1969-70 . . . Won Conn Smythe Trophy as playoff MVP in 1969 and was on his way to stardom when he fractured his leg the next season against the Rangers . . . Born Jan. 22, 1946, at Montreal, Que. . . . One of the biggest defensemen in the NHL . . . Can carry the puck from his own

end or feed crisp passes to his forwards . . . Hits hard and has become a polished stick-checker.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1966-67	Montreal C.	2	0	0	0
1967-68	Montreal C.	67	2	13	15
1968-69	Montreal C.	74	8	23	31
1969-70	Montreal C.	64	12	19	31
1970-71	Montreal C.	37	5	10	15
1971-72	Montreal C.	23	1	8	9
1972-73	Montreal C.	74	7	32	39
	Totals	341	35	105	140

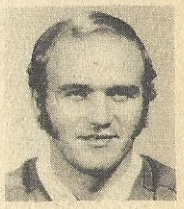
FRANK MAHOVLICH 35 6-1 198 **Forward**

The Big M . . . His long stride makes him one of the toughest left wings for NHL rivals to check . . . Ranks among all-time scoring leaders with 502 goals and 1,023 points during 17-year NHL career . . . Still holds all-time Toronto scoring record and was Detroit's single-season goal-scoring record-holder until last year . . . Missed 40-goal plateau last season with 38, but still wound up with 93 points . . . Born Jan. 10, 1938, at Timmons, Ont. . . . Has no retirement thoughts and regards his two full seasons in Montreal as the best and most satisfying of his NHL career.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1956-57	Toronto M.L.	3	1	0	1
1957-58	Toronto M.L.	67	20	16	36
1958-59	Toronto M.L.	63	22	27	49
1959-60	Toronto M.L.	70	18	21	39
1960-61	Toronto M.L.	70	48	36	84
1961-62	Toronto M.L.	70	33	38	71
1962-63	Toronto M.L.	67	36	37	73
1963-64	Toronto M.L.	70	26	29	55
1964-65	Toronto M.L.	59	23	28	51
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	68	32	24	56
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	63	18	28	46
1967-68	Tor. ML-Det. RW	63	26	26	52
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	76	49	29	78
1969-70	Detroit R.W.	74	38	32	70
1970-71	Det. RW-Mtl. C.	73	31	42	73
1971-72	Montreal C.	76	43	53	96
1972-73	Montreal C.	78	38	55	93
	Totals	1110	502	521	1023

JACQUES LEMAIRE 28 5-10 175 **Forward**

Despite a late-season scoring slump, he led Montreal with 44 goals and 95 points for a career high . . . Goalies rate his slap shot among the best in the league . . . As a youth, he practiced with a steel puck to develop a hard shot . . . "I practiced with my steel puck every day in the driveway at home and my arms would ache. But when I played with the regulation puck I found it felt lighter and I could shoot it harder," he says . . . Born Sept. 7, 1945, at LaSalle, Que. . . . One of the fastest-skating centers in the NHL . . . Likes to rush from his team's own end with puck.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Montreal C.	69	22	20	42
1968-69	Montreal C.	75	29	34	63
1969-70	Montreal C.	69	32	28	60
1970-71	Montreal C.	78	28	28	56
1971-72	Montreal C.	77	32	49	81
1972-73	Montreal C.	77	44	51	95
	Totals	445	187	210	397

JACQUES LAPERRIERE 32 6-2 190 **Defenseman**

An old-school defenseman . . . Seldom carries the puck from his end and takes few shots . . . Prefers to concentrate on defense and is one of the smartest rear guards in the NHL . . . An expert at taking out the man without drawing a penalty and a nimble poke-checker . . . Born Nov. 22, 1941, at Rouyn, Que. . . . "Game in and game out he's one of the best defensemen there is in terms of consistency and making few mistakes," says coach Scotty Bowman . . . An 11-year veteran who won Norris Trophy as top NHL defenseman in 1966-67.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1962-63	Montreal C.	6	0	2	2
1963-64	Montreal C.	65	2	28	30
1964-65	Montreal C.	67	5	22	27
1965-66	Montreal C.	57	6	25	31
1966-67	Montreal C.	61	0	20	20
1967-68	Montreal C.	72	4	21	25
1968-69	Montreal C.	69	5	26	31
1969-70	Montreal C.	73	6	31	37
1970-71	Montreal C.	49	0	16	16
1971-72	Montreal C.	73	3	25	28
1972-73	Montreal C.	57	7	16	23
	Totals	649	38	232	270

KEN DRYDEN 26 6-4 215 Goaltender

Has become an all-star after only two full seasons in the NHL . . . Most hockey experts regard him as the best goalie in the league . . . Has posted goals-against averages of 1.65, 2.24 and 2.26 with 14 shutouts . . . "He's so big and covers up so much of the net he's awfully hard to score against," says the Rangers' Vic Hadfield, one of the few players who has much luck getting the puck behind Dryden . . . Born Aug. 8, 1947, at Islington, Ont. . . . Won All-America recognition at Cornell before becoming Canadiens' ironman goalie . . . Holds law degree from McGill University.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1970-71	Montreal C..	5-1/2	9	0	1.65
1971-72	Montreal C..	63-1/3	142	8	2.24
1972-73	Montreal C..	52-2/3	119	6	2.26
	Totals.....	121-1/2	270	14	2.21

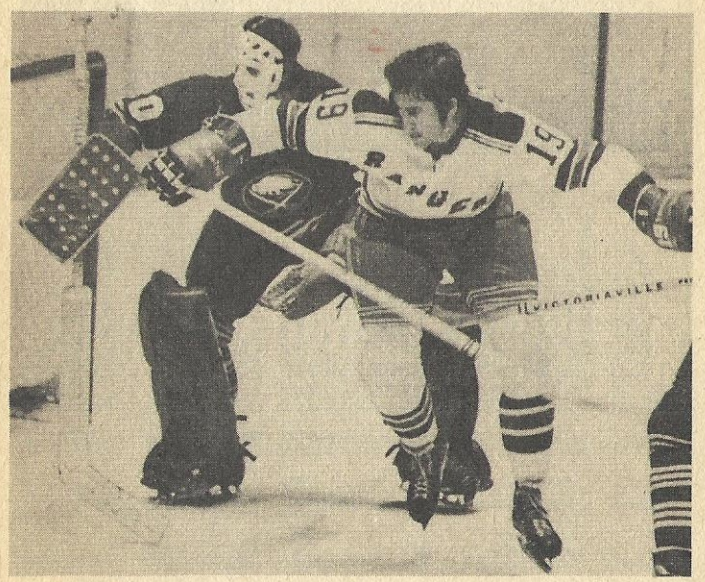
COACH SCOTTY BOWMAN: Bright young coach who has become synonymous with success . . . Guided St. Louis Blues to two West Division titles and into cup final three times before returning to Montreal, where he started as a scout . . . Asked for more dedication and hard work from his team last season and the Canadiens responded by setting a record for the fewest losses in NHL history . . . Born Sept. 18, 1933, at Montreal, Que. . . . Likes to cross-up enemy teams by juggling his lines and often uses more than a dozen different attacking combinations in a game . . . An intense coach and astute judge of talent.

ALL-TIME CANADIEN LEADERS

GOALS: Maurice Richard, 50, 1944-45
Bernie Geoffrion, 50, 1960-61
ASSISTS: Jean Beliveau, 58, 1960-61
POINTS: Dickie Moore, 96, 1958-59
Frank Mahovlich, 96, 1971-72
SHUTOUTS: George Hainsworth, 22, 1928-29

NEW YORK RANGERS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: Irving Mitchell Felt; Pres.: William M. Jennings; V.P. and Gen. Mgr.: Emile Francis; V.P.: C. Charles Jowaiszas; V.P.: Barry Gottehrer; V.P.: Stuart B. Freeman; V.P.: John C. Diller; Sec.: Edwin M. Ost; Chief Scout: Lou Passador; Pub. Rel.: John Halligan; Coach: Larry Popein. Home ice: Madison Square Garden Center (17,500; 200′ x 85′). Colors: Blue, red, and white. Training camp: Kitchener, Ont.



Jean Ratelle and Buffalo's Dave Dryden eye the corner.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: The G-A-G Line came through with better than a goal a game last season but fell off considerably from its 1971-72 pace when it was tops in the league. It was 45 goals off, in fact, and Vic Hadfield, who missed 15 games because of injury and dropped from 50 goals to 28, also dropped from the line for a time.

Rod Gilbert was rumored to be on the trading block at the end of the season. But that rumor soon died down.

RANGERS ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
	Al Blanchard	RW	6-0	197	6-12-52/Sudbury, Ont.	Providence	22	16	38	14
	John Bednarski	D	5-10	185	7-4-52/Thunder Bay, Ont.	Rochester	14	24	38	205
20	Jerry Butler	RW	6-0	173	2-27-51/Sarnia, Ont.	Providence	29	30	59	77
						Rangers	1	0	1	4
	John Campbell	LW	6-0	180	6-5-53/Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	Sault Ste. Marie	32	44	76	21
9	Gene Carr	LW-C	5-11	185	9-17-51/Nanaimo, B.C.	Rangers	9	10	19	50
10	Billy Fairbairn	RW	5-10	195	1-7-47/Brandon, Man.	Rangers	30	33	63	23
7	Rod Gilbert	RW	5-9	180	7-1-41/Montreal, Que.	Rangers	25	59	84	25
11	Vic Hadfield	LW	6-0	190	10-4-40/Oakville, Ont.	Rangers	28	34	62	60
3	Ron Harris	D-RW	5-9	190	6-30-42/Verdun, Que.	Atl.-Rangers	5	14	19	25
27	Ted Irvine	LW	6-2	195	12-8-44/Winnipeg, Man.	Rangers	8	12	20	54
26	Shel Kannegiesser	D	6-0	186	11-15-47/North Bay, Ont.	Pitt.-Rangers	0	1	1	4
						Hershey	3	12	15	31
4	Randy Legge	D	5-11	184	12-16-45/Newmarket, Ont.	Rangers	0	2	2	2
						Providence	3	9	12	130
12	Bruce MacGregor	RW	5-10	180	4-26-41/Edmonton, Alta.	Rangers	14	12	26	12
	Rick Middleton	RW	5-11	169	12-4-53/Toronto, Ont.	Oshawa	67	70	137	14
	Brian Molvik	D	6-0	186	8-16-53/Peace River, Alta.	Calgary	11	36	47	237
14	Mike Murphy	RW	5-11	185	9-12-50/Toronto, Ont.	St. L.-Rangers	22	31	53	53
15	Jim Neilson	D	6-2	205	11-28-41/Big River, Sask.	Rangers	4	16	20	35
2	Brad Park	D	6-0	200	7-6-48/Toronto, Ont.	Rangers	10	43	53	51
19	Jean Ratelle	C	6-1	180	10-3-40/Lac St. Jean, Que.	Rangers	41	53	94	12
5	Dale Rolfe	D	6-4	205	4-30-40/Timmins, Ont.	Rangers	7	25	32	74
22	Bobby Rousseau	RW-C	5-10	185	7-26-40/Montreal, Que.	Rangers	8	37	45	14
	Larry Sacharuk	D	6-0	195	9-15-52/Saskatoon, Sask.	Rangers	1	0	1	0
						Providence	14	36	50	42
6	Glen Sather	LW	5-11	175	9-2-43/High River, Alta.	Rangers	11	15	26	64
16	Rod Seiling	D	6-0	195	11-14-44/Elmira, Ont.	Rangers	9	33	42	36
21	Pete Stemkowski	C	6-0	210	8-25-43/Winnipeg, Man.	Rangers	22	37	59	71
	Gerry Teeple	C	6-0	160	10-9-52/Trenton, Ont.	Providence	16	25	41	10
18	Walt Tkaczuk	C	6-0	190	9-29-47/Emstedetten, Ger.	Rangers	27	39	66	59
8	Steve Vickers	LW	6-0	185	4-21-51/Toronto, Ont.	Rangers	30	23	53	37
	Rene Villemure	LW	6-2	185	4-13-52/Shawinigan Falls, Que.	Providence	8	12	20	94
17	Tom Williams	LW	6-0	180	2-7-51/Windsor, Ont.	Rangers	0	1	1	0
						Providence	20	29	49	9
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
	Wayne Bell	G	5-11	190	12-13-50/Weyburn, Sask.		30	120	1	4.07
1	Ed Giacomin	G	5-11	180	6-6-39/Sudbury, Ont.	Omaha	43	125	4	2.91
31	Pete McDuffe	G	5-9	185	2-16-48/Milton, Ont.	Rangers	1	1	0	1.00
	Curt Ridley	G	6-0	180	9-23-51/Winnipeg, Man.	Rangers			0	
30	Gilles Villemure	G	5-8	180	5-30-40/Three Rivers, Que.	Dayton	56	145	2	2.70
	Wayne Wood	G	6-1	190	6-5-51/Toronto, Ont.	Rangers	34	78	3	2.29
						Providence	58	171	4	3.02

Jean Ratelle, Hadfield and Gilbert should be one of the better forward combines in the NHL for a while yet and the Walt Tkaczuk-Steve Vickers-Bill Fairbairn line is really coming, although it slumped a bit in the Stanley Cup semi-finals, when New York lost to Chicago.

Tkaczuk and Fairbairn, who increased their goals by three and eight, respectively, over the previous campaign, are two of the NHL's best penalty-killers and Vickers, Rookie of the Year, is a comer.

The other line, Pete Stemkowski, Bruce MacGregor and Ted Irvine, was bothered by various ailments last season and should be better henceforth.

If the Rangers, a disappointment in 1972-73, are finally going to win that Stanley Cup New York fans are so hungry for, all three lines will have to produce.

DEFENSE: Brad Park, who says he doesn't mind being called the second best defenseman in the league, again had leg problems and ended up third best in the all-star balloting, missing the first team for the second time in the last three years. Brad fell from 24 goals to 10 but, don't forget, he sat out 28 games and when he was in shape he was a most effective defenseman. His injuries have to stop some time.

Rod Seiling, Jim Neilson and Dale Rolfe, along with Park, give new coach Larry Popein a pretty good quartet of blue liners and Ron Harris has proved a good, tough alternate.

The only reason that Ed Giacomin and Gilles Villemure didn't win the Vezina Trophy was that Ken Dryden and his Montreal backup goalies were a little better. Villemure, looking classier all the time, had a 2.29 goals-against record, only .03 behind Dryden. Giacomin played nine more games than Villemure last season; it may be the other way around this year.

OUTLOOK: Emile (The Cat) Francis, the crafty littly guy who brought the Rangers out of the league's nether regions but couldn't win a Stanley Cup in nine seasons, mostly as both coach and general manager, finally gave up the coaching reins to concentrate on the front office.

Popein, 42, who coached Ranger minor league clubs, succeeds Francis. He is known as a disciplinarian. Can he get that little extra out of the wealthy gentlemen who wear the Broadway Blue? He'll have to if they are to move up. Some are believed to have their best hockey years behind them.

RANGER PROFILES

JEAN RATELLE 33 6-1 175 **Forward**

Graceful skater who plays center in a classic style . . . "He has to rank in the same group with Jean Beliveau," says teammate Bobby Rousseau . . . Clean player who uses finesse instead of muscle . . . Exceptional passer and stick-handler with great wrist shot . . . Born Oct. 3, 1940, at Lac St. Jean, Que. . . . Quietly efficient athlete and devoted family man respected around the league . . . Proved his 46-goal season in 1971-72 wasn't a fluke by leading team with 41 goals and 94 points last season . . . Slick faceoff man who excels on power plays.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1960-61	New York R.	3	2	1	3
1961-62	New York R.	31	4	8	12
1962-63	New York R.	48	11	9	20
1963-64	New York R.	15	0	7	7
1964-65	New York R.	54	14	21	35
1965-66	New York R.	67	21	30	51
1966-67	New York R.	41	6	5	11
1967-68	New York R.	74	32	46	78
1968-69	New York R.	75	32	46	78
1969-70	New York R.	75	32	42	74
1970-71	New York R.	78	26	46	72
1971-72	New York R.	63	46	63	109
1972-73	New York R.	78	41	53	94
	Totals	702	267	377	644

ROD GILBERT 32 5-9 180 **Forward**

Popular 12-year Ranger veteran's goal production dropped from 43 to 25 last season . . . "I don't care about my goal total that much as long as I'm participating in scoring goals," says the hard-working right wing who collected 59 assists and 84 points . . . Needs three goals and 52 points to equal Andy Bathgate's Ranger career scoring record . . . Born July 1, 1941, at Montreal, Que. . . . Possessor of one of the league's hardest shots . . . Handsome bachelor active in commercials and as model for fashionable clothes . . . Survived two delicate spinal fusion operations early in his career.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1960-61	New York R.	1	0	1	1
1961-62	New York R.	1	0	0	0
1962-63	New York R.	70	11	20	31
1963-64	New York R.	70	24	40	64
1964-65	New York R.	70	25	36	61
1965-66	New York R.	34	10	15	25
1966-67	New York R.	64	28	18	46
1967-68	New York R.	73	29	48	77
1968-69	New York R.	66	28	49	77
1969-70	New York R.	72	16	37	53
1970-71	New York R.	78	30	31	61
1971-72	New York R.	73	43	54	97
1972-73	New York R.	76	25	59	84
	Totals	748	269	408	677

VIC HADFIELD 33 6-0 180 **Forward**

Sturdy Ranger captain would like to forget last season . . . His defection from Team Canada brought him much criticism in Canada . . . Injury-plagued season saw him hampered by two broken thumbs, a broken pinkie finger, a sore shoulder and a badly cut eye and slight concussion from being hit in the face by teammate Walt Tkaczuk's shot . . . Born Oct. 4, 1940, at Oakville, Ont. . . . Became Rangers' first 50-goal scorer in 1971-72, but injuries last season reduced his goals to 28 . . . Aggressive left wing can score on long-range shots or from around the net.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1961-62	New York R.	44	3	1	4
1962-63	New York R.	36	5	6	11
1963-64	New York R.	69	14	11	25
1964-65	New York R.	70	18	20	38
1965-66	New York R.	67	16	19	35
1966-67	New York R.	69	13	20	33
1967-68	New York R.	59	20	19	39
1968-69	New York R.	73	26	40	66
1969-70	New York R.	71	20	34	54
1970-71	New York R.	63	22	22	44
1971-72	New York R.	78	50	56	106
1972-73	New York R.	63	28	34	62
	Totals	762	235	282	517

ROD SEILING 29 6-0 190 — **Defenseman**

Consistent and dependable . . . A master-craftsman at steering swift forwards away from shooting lanes . . . Has great skill at clearing the puck and igniting Ranger rushes . . . "In a tough situation, there's no other defenseman I'd rather have on ice than Seiling," says general manager Emile Francis . . . Born Nov. 14, 1944, at Elmira, Ont. . . . Receives less recognition than other defensemen because of his unspectacular style of play . . . Clever playmaker with puck at blue line . . . Set a career high with nine goals last season.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1962-63	Toronto M.L.	1	0	1	1
1963-64	New York R.	2	0	1	1
1964-65	New York R.	68	4	22	26
1965-66	New York R.	52	5	10	15
1966-67	New York R.	12	1	1	2
1967-68	New York R.	71	5	11	16
1968-69	New York R.	73	4	17	21
1969-70	New York R.	76	5	21	26
1970-71	New York R.	68	5	22	27
1971-72	New York R.	78	5	36	41
1972-73	New York R.	72	9	33	42
	Totals	573	43	175	218

BILL FAIRBAIRN 26 5-10 190 — **Forward**

"There's not a stronger, harder-working guy in the NHL," claims general manager and former coach Emile Francis . . . Thrives on full-time duty as a two-way right wing and teams with Walt Tkaczuk as a brilliant penalty killer . . . At his best digging for puck in corners and takes punishment as well as any player in the league . . . Born Jan. 7, 1947, at Brandon, Man. . . . Strong, silent type and a persistent checker . . . Took Francis' advice to shoot more last season and became a 30-goal scorer.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	New York R.	1	0	0	0
1969-70	New York R.	76	23	33	56
1970-71	New York R.	56	7	23	30
1971-72	New York R.	78	22	37	59
1972-73	New York R.	78	30	33	63
	Totals	289	82	126	208

STEVE VICKERS 22 6-0 185 — **Forward**

Enjoyed a brilliant rookie season . . . Scored 30 goals in NHL debut and was awarded Calder Trophy as best first-year player . . . Solved Rangers' left wing problems by fitting in perfectly on line with Walt Tkaczuk and Bill Fairbairn . . . Born April 21, 1951, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Strong, aggressive chap who was undefeated in five fights and floored Bruins' Don Marcotte with one punch . . . Led New York with a 22.9 shooting percentage and became the first player in NHL history to score back-to-back hat-tricks.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	New York R.	61	30	23	53

WALT TKACZUK 26 6-0 185 — **Forward**

As strong as any center in the NHL . . . Uses his size and strength to overpower opponents . . . An untiring player who ranks among the best penalty-killers with teammate Billy Fairbairn and also skates on power plays . . . "He's a superstar right now but he just doesn't know it," says Boston's Derek Sanderson . . . Born Sept. 29, 1947, at Emsdetten, Germany . . . Son of a Ukranian laborer who was imprisoned during World War II by the Nazis . . . Worked in a gold mine as a dynamite carrier while playing junior hockey.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	New York R.	2	0	0	0
1968-69	New York R.	71	12	24	36
1969-70	New York R.	76	27	50	77
1970-71	New York R.	77	26	49	75
1971-72	New York R.	76	24	42	66
1972-73	New York R.	76	27	39	66
	Totals	378	116	204	320

BRAD PARK 25 6-0 190 — **Defenseman**

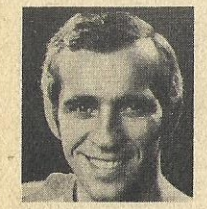
Constantly referred to as hockey's best defenseman next to Bobby Orr . . . "I don't believe in comparisons that much, but

it's nice to be compared to a guy as good as Orr," says Park . . . "I prefer to think there are some things he does that I can't do and some things I can do that he doesn't do" . . . All-round defense star who uses his body-checking to defend his goal and can control the game as a clever puck-carrier . . . Born July 6, 1948, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Has slick moves and bullet shot . . . An all-star in four of five NHL seasons . . . Missed 26 games last season with a serious knee injury.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	New York R.....	54	3	23	26
1969-70	New York R.....	60	11	26	37
1970-71	New York R.....	68	7	37	44
1971-72	New York R.....	75	24	49	73
1972-73	New York R.....	52	10	43	53
	Totals.....	309	55	178	233

ED GIACOMIN 34 5-11 175 **Goaltender**

Fast Eddie . . . One of the best and most spectacular goalies in the NHL . . . Excites crowd with split saves and dives to block shots . . . Likes to roam from net and his ability to handle the puck has resulted in seven career assists . . . Born June 6, 1939, at Sudbury, Ont. . . . Holds Ranger career shutout mark with 43 . . . Toiled long and hard in minor leagues before he reached the NHL . . . Now alternates in goal with Gilles Villemure after iron-man role in early years . . . At his best stopping breakaways and has thwarted six of nine career penalty shots.



Year	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1965-66	New York R.	35	128	0	3.66
1966-67	New York R.	66-1/3	173	9	2.61
1967-68	New York R.	65-2/3	160	8	2.44
1968-69	New York R.	69	175	7	2.54
1969-70	New York R.	69	163	6	2.35
1970-71	New York R.	44	95	8	2.15
1971-72	New York R.	42-1/2	115	1	2.70
1972-73	New York R.	43	125	4	2.91
	Totals.....	434-1/2	1134	43	2.63

GILLES VILLEMURE 33 5-8 180 **Goaltender**

Imperturbable goalie who never loses his poise under pressure . . . "He has the perfect temperament for a goalie,"

says teammate Vic Hadfield . . . Uses a standup style in the net and like his partner Ed Giacomin is slick with his stick . . . Born May 30, 1940, at Three Rivers, Que. . . . Labored in minor leagues until Rangers adopted two-goalie system in 1970 . . . Has posted 2.29, 2.08 and 2.29 averages the last three seasons . . . Makes tough saves look easy with his relaxed style in goal . . . Drives and trains harness horses in the off-season.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1963-64	New York R.	5	18	0	3.60
1967-68	New York R.	3-1/3	8	1	2.40
1968-69	New York R.	4	9	0	2.25
1970-71	New York R.	34	78	4	2.29
1971-72	New York R.	35-1/2	74	3	2.08
1972-73	New York R.	34	78	3	2.29
	Totals.....	115-2/3	265	11	2.29

COACH LARRY POPEIN: Steps into a pressure situation as the new coach of a team which hasn't won a championship since 1942 . . . Replaced Emile Francis as coach in June when Francis elected to limit his role with Rangers to general manager . . . A no-nonsense coach who coached for five years in the New York farm system before replacing Francis . . . "I'd call myself a disciplinarian," he says when asked for his coaching philosophy . . . Born Aug. 11, 1930, at Yorkton, Sask. . . . Serious-faced guy who was a low-scoring but smooth-skating center for the team he now coaches from 1954 to 1961.

ALL-TIME RANGER LEADERS

GOALS: Vic Hadfield, 50, 1971-72
ASSISTS: Jean Ratelle, 63, 1971-72
POINTS: Jean Ratelle, 109, 1971-72
SHUTOUTS: John Roach, 13, 1928-29

BOSTON BRUINS

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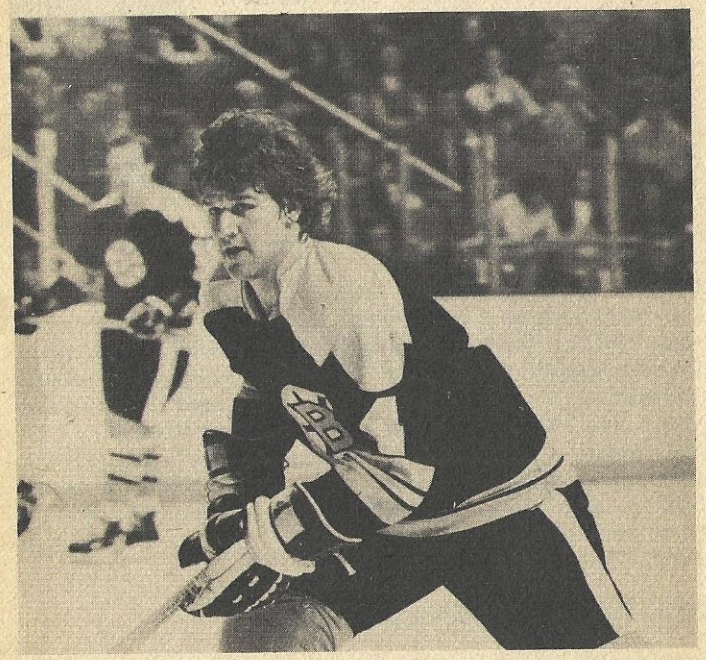

The boy who was Bobby Orr enters his eighth season.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: The big question about the Bruins' offensive power is, of course, how are the knees? The knees belong to Phil Esposito and Bobby Orr, the howitzers in Boston's scoring arsenal. Together they accounted for 84 goals and 231 points last season.

Esposito, however, went out of the playoffs early with torn ligaments in his right knee. Orr came back from knee surgery

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to play the entire season and perform better than any other defenseman in the league, but there were many who said Bobby wasn't operating at both ends of the rink as he used to.

Espo claims his knee will be 100 per cent and he will be as good as ever. If so, Boston's attack should be strong again even though Fred Stanfield, one of the league's best playmakers, is gone. So is Mike Walton, a 25-goal scorer.

The Bruins expect Andre Savard, their No. 1 draft selection who scored 67 goals for the Quebec Remparts, to help the center situation, where Derek Sanderson, back from the WHA, Espo and young Greg Sheppard, are ready.

Ace Bailey, who went to Detroit in a late-season trade, will be missed but Ken Hodge, John Bucyk, Wayne Cashman, Don Marcotte, Terry O'Reilly, Fred O'Donnell and Doug Roberts are back at the wings.

DEFENSE: Now that Orr is cutting down somewhat on his offensive forays, he seems to be improving his defensive play. And his partner, Dallas Smith, is probably the most underrated backliner in the league.

The other defense pair, Don Awrey and Carol Vadnais, took some flack when the Bruins' goals-against average went up from 204 to 235 but they still are among the better defensemen in the league. Young Nick Beverley and Gary Doak, obtained for Bailey last season, give the club depth at the blue line.

Will Gil Gilbert, who posted a 3.05 goals-against average in 22 games for Minnesota last season, be the answer to the goaltending problem? The Bruins certainly hope so. Veteran Ed Johnston, target of Boston boos, was sent to Toronto in the Jacques Plante deal, and then Plante deserted to the WHA. Ross Brooks (won 11, lost 1) and John Adams, who between them tended the nets for 30 games, weren't figured to be the answer, so the Bruins dealt for 24-year-old Gilbert. He's on the spot.

OUTLOOK: Hardbitten Bep Guidolin, brought up from the minors to replace easy-going Tom Johnson as the Bruins' coach during the season, started the funloving Beantowners playing good hockey again, but they tailed off and finished 13 points behind Montreal.

Boston's losses to the WHA and expansion have been considerable, which makes many close followers of the sport think the Bruins are going the other way rather than back to the championship heights of 1971-72.

BRUIN PROFILES

JOHN BUCYK 38 6-0 210 — **Forward**

Like Old Man River, he just keeps rolling along . . . Enters 18th NHL season among all-time scoring leaders with 435 goals and 1,069 points . . . "He's an amazing athlete," says teammate Bobby Orr . . . Was 40-goal scorer last season, scoring 10 game-winning goals and leading NHL with a 23.8 shooting percentage . . . Born May 12, 1935, at Edmonton, Alta. . . . Big left wing excels in corners . . . Nicknamed "Chief" and unwinds after games by smoking a long cigar.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1955-56	Detroit R.W.	38	1	8	9
1956-57	Detroit R.W.	66	10	11	21
1957-58	Boston	68	21	31	52
1958-59	Boston	69	24	36	60
1959-60	Boston	56	16	36	52
1960-61	Boston	70	19	20	39
1961-62	Boston	67	20	40	60
1962-63	Boston	69	27	39	66
1963-64	Boston	62	18	36	54
1964-65	Boston	68	26	29	55
1965-66	Boston	63	27	30	57
1966-67	Boston	59	18	30	48
1967-68	Boston	72	30	39	69
1968-69	Boston	70	24	42	66
1969-70	Boston	76	31	38	69
1970-71	Boston	78	51	65	116
1971-72	Boston	78	32	51	83
1972-73	Boston	78	40	53	93
	Totals	1207	435	634	1069

PHIL ESPOSITO 31 6-2 210 — **Forward**

Most feared scorer in NHL led in goals (55), assists (75) and points (130) last season . . . Holds all-time record of 76 goals and 152 points and enters season with 398 career goals . . . "You can slow him down but never really stop him entirely," says the Rangers' Pete Stemkowski . . . Has great stamina and strength and is complete player who excels on power play and as penalty killer . . . Born Feb. 20, 1942, at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. . . . Suffered serious knee injury when checked by

Rangers' Ron Harris in last season's playoff and needed surgery . . . Has been selected all-star center five straight years.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1963-64	Chicago	27	3	2	5
1964-65	Chicago	70	23	32	55
1965-66	Chicago	69	27	26	53
1966-67	Chicago	69	21	40	61
1967-68	Boston	74	35	49	84
1968-69	Boston	74	49	77	126
1969-70	Boston	76	43	56	99
1970-71	Boston	78	76	76	152
1971-72	Boston	76	66	67	133
1972-73	Boston	78	55	75	130
	Totals	691	398	500	898

GREGG SHEPPARD 24 5-8 160 **Forward**

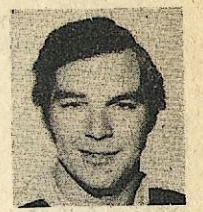
Enjoyed outstanding rookie season with Bruins . . . Won regular job as center, scoring 24 goals and 50 points . . . "He didn't get all the attention he deserved but to me he should have been rookie of the year," says coach Bep Guidolin . . . Handles puck well and has great acceleration . . . "He reminded me of Gordie Howe the way he moved the puck to his backhand and beat me," said the Rangers' Ed Giacomin after a Sheppard playoff goal . . . Born April 23, 1949, at North Battleford, Sask. . . . Was 41-goal, 93-point scorer and Central League MVP at Oklahoma City in 1971-72.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Boston	64	24	26	50

KEN HODGE 29 6-2 220 **Forward**

Bounced back after 16-goal season with 37 goals and 81 points last season . . . Big, powerful right wing who uses muscle effectively and is at his best going into corners to retrieve puck . . . Sets up many of Phil Esposito's shots from slot . . . Born June 25, 1944, in Birmingham, England, and

moved to Canada as a child . . . Uses size and strength more than speed . . . Three times a 40-goal scorer and achieved personal high in 1970-71 with 105 points.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1964-65	Chicago	1	0	0	0
1965-66	Chicago	63	6	17	23
1966-67	Chicago	69	10	25	35
1967-68	Boston	74	25	31	56
1968-69	Boston	75	45	45	90
1969-70	Boston	72	25	29	54
1970-71	Boston	78	43	62	105
1971-72	Boston	60	16	40	56
1972-73	Boston	73	37	44	81
	Totals	565	207	293	500

DEREK SANDERSON 27 6-0 170 **Forward**

Flamboyant style on and off the ice has made him one of hockey's most publicized players and biggest gate attractions . . . "Not bad for a skinny kid from Niagara Falls with a ninth grade education, eh?" he quipped after jumping from NHL to WHA after 1971-72 season for lucrative contract . . . Rejoined Bruins late last season as a much wealthier young athlete . . . Born June 16, 1946, at Niagara Falls, Ont. . . . First NHL player to wear a moustache and adopt mod dress style . . . Gifted center who excels at winning faceoffs and killing penalties.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Boston	2	0	0	0
1966-67	Boston	2	0	0	0
1967-68	Boston	71	24	25	49
1968-69	Boston	61	26	22	48
1969-70	Boston	50	18	23	41
1970-71	Boston	71	29	34	63
1971-72	Boston	78	25	33	58
1972-73	Boston	25	5	10	15
	Totals	360	127	147	274
	WHA				
	Philadelphia B.	8	3	3	6

GILLES GILBERT 24 6-0 173 **Goaltender**

Bruins believe they solved their serious goaltending problem by acquiring Gilbert in post-season trade with Minnesota for center Fred Stanfield . . . Made his NHL debut in 1970 with

back-to-back wins against Montreal and Chicago but was forced to play behind North Stars' veterans Cesare Maniago and Gump Worsley . . . Was on verge of jumping to WHA when he was traded to Bruins . . . Born March 21, 1949, at Quebec City, Que. . . . Has quick hands and reflexes from playing semi-pro baseball as a shortstop . . . Rated as potential star and is part-owner of Quebec City nightclub.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1969-70	Minnesota....	1	6	0	6.00
1970-71	Minnesota....	15-1/2	59	0	3.80
1971-72	Minnesota....	3-2/3	11	0	3.02
1972-73	Minnesota....	22	67	2	3.05
	Totals.....	42-1/3	143	2	3.38

WAYNE CASHMAN 28 6-1 200 **Forward**

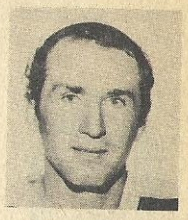
Third member of Bruins' top line with Phil Esposito and Ken Hodge . . . Specializes in heavy-duty work in corners and along the boards . . . Twenty-nine goals last season was a personal high . . . Fearless player who has reputation among rival players for having a mean streak and fist-fighting ability . . . Backs down from no one and has a low boiling point . . . Born June 24, 1945, at Kingston, Ont. . . . Had subpar playoff last season but was hampered by back ailment.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1964-65	Boston.....	1	0	0	0
1967-68	Boston.....	12	0	4	4
1968-69	Boston.....	51	8	23	31
1969-70	Boston.....	70	9	26	35
1970-71	Boston.....	77	21	58	79
1971-72	Boston.....	74	23	29	52
1972-73	Boston.....	76	29	39	68
	Totals.....	361	90	179	269

DALLAS SMITH 32 5-11 180 **Defenseman**

Quietly efficient, unspectacular defenseman enters 12th season with Bruins as a vastly overlooked player . . . "He's the most underrated defenseman in the NHL," says Bobby Orr. "He doesn't score a lot of points or take that many penalties, but he seldom makes mistakes or is out of position." . . . Born Oct. 10, 1941, at Hamiota, Man. . . . Smooth skater and

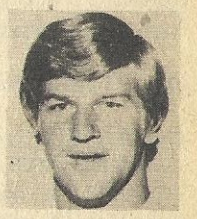
puck-handler . . . Seldom talks much and works on his farm in the off-season.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1959-60	Boston.....	5	1	1	2
1960-61	Boston.....	70	1	9	10
1961-62	Boston.....	7	0	0	0
1965-66	Boston.....	2	0	0	0
1966-67	Boston.....	33	0	1	1
1967-68	Boston.....	74	4	23	27
1968-69	Boston.....	75	4	24	28
1969-70	Boston.....	75	7	17	24
1970-71	Boston.....	73	7	38	45
1971-72	Boston.....	78	8	22	30
1972-73	Boston.....	78	4	27	31
	Totals.....	570	36	162	198

BOBBY ORR 25 6-0 190 **Defenseman**

Acclaimed by many as the greatest player ever to play the game . . . "It sounds corny, but the only sure way to stop him is to lock him in the dressing room before the game starts," says former NHL player Red Sullivan . . . Despite an ailing knee, hockey's No. 1 player scored 100 points for the fourth consecutive year, finished second to teammate Phil Esposito in scoring and retained his all-star team ranking and reputation as the best defenseman for the sixth straight season . . . Born March 20, 1948, at Parry Sound, Ont. . . . Exceptional skater, passer and shooter.

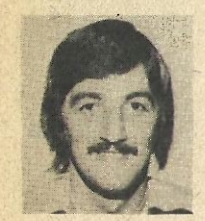


Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1966-67	Boston.....	61	13	28	41
1967-68	Boston.....	46	11	20	31
1968-69	Boston.....	67	21	43	64
1969-70	Boston.....	76	33	87	120
1970-71	Boston.....	78	37	102	139
1971-72	Boston.....	76	37	80	117
1972-73	Boston.....	63	29	72	101
	Totals.....	467	181	432	613

CAROL VADNAIS 28 6-1 205 **Defenseman**

Started in Montreal organization and became offense-minded defenseman who also played left wing with California Golden Seals . . . Bruins traded for him in 1972 and are confident this will be a big season for him . . . Came into his

own in second half of last season and finally won over Boston Garden fans who had booed him . . . Born Sept. 25, 1945, at Montreal, Que. . . . Once was among Canada's most celebrated junior players . . . Ranks as one of the NHL's best skating defensemen and has explosive slap shot.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1966-67	Montreal C.	11	0	3	3
1967-68	Montreal C.	31	1	1	2
1968-69	Oakland	76	15	27	42
1969-70	Oakland	76	24	20	44
1970-71	California	42	10	16	26
1971-72	Calif.-Bos.	68	18	26	44
1972-73	Boston	78	7	24	31
	Totals	382	75	117	192

COACH ARMAND (BEP) GUIDOLIN: Tough-guy coach and stern disciplinarian replaced Tom Johnson behind the bench in February and led slumping Bruins past Rangers for second-place finish . . . Sticks two fingers into his mouth to make shrill whistle signalling line changes during games . . . Became youngest player in NHL history when he began nine-year major league career at 16 with the 1942-43 Bruins . . . Born Dec. 9, 1925, at Thorold, Ont. . . . Drove a truck and was a beer salesman before entering Bruins' minor league coaching system . . . Has a simple coaching philosophy: "You've got to work harder than you think you can work."

ALL-TIME BRUIN LEADERS

GOALS: Phil Esposito, 76, 1970-71
ASSISTS: Bobby Orr, 102, 1970-71
POINTS: Phil Esposito, 152, 1970-71
SHUTOUTS: Hal Winkler, 15, 1927-28

BUFFALO SABRES

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The Sabres and Flyers exchange pleasantries.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: The French Connection is back intact and what more do you need to say about the Sabres' offense?

Well, this. Does coach Joe Crozier have anybody else who can score?

The Sabres have that one great offensive line—Gil Perreault,

SABRES ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
	Larry Carriere	D	6-1	190	1-30-52/Montreal, Que.	Buffalo	2	8	10	52
						Cincinnati	7	11	18	54
	Paul Curtis	D	6-0	185	9-29-47/Peterborough, Ont.	LA-St. Louis	1	9	10	22
	Rick Dudley	LW	6-0	190	1-31-49/Toronto, Ont.	Cincinnati	40	44	84	159
						Buffalo	0	1	1	7
24	John Gould	RW	5-11	175	1-15-49/Port Arthur, Ont.	Buffalo	0	1	1	0
						Cincinnati	30	42	72	71
14	Norm Gratton	RW	5-9	169	12-22-50/Ste. Anne des Plaines, Que.	Atl.-Buffalo	9	11	20	24
						Omaha	5	8	13	4
	Bill Hait	D	6-3	215	11-18-51/Borden, Sask.	Cincinnati	4	31	35	40
5	Larry Hillman	D	6-0	185	2-5-37/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Buffalo	5	24	29	56
2	Tim Horton	D	5-10	180	1-12-30/Cochrane, Ont.	Buffalo	1	16	17	56
	Jean Landry	D	5-11	175	6-14-53/	Quebec	20	45	65	71
8	Jim Lorentz	RW	6-0	180	5-1-47/Waterloo, Ont.	Buffalo	27	35	62	30
20	Don Luce	C	6-2	178	10-2-48/London, Ont.	Buffalo	18	25	43	32
9	Rick Martin	LW	5-11	172	7-26-51/Verdun, Que.	Buffalo	37	36	73	29
15	Gerry Meehan	C	5-9	165	8-26-46/Unity, Sask.	Buffalo	31	29	60	21
12	Larry Mickey	RW	5-11	180	10-21-43/Lacombe, Alta.	Buffalo	15	9	24	47
	Jim Nichols	RW	5-9	180	3-3-48/Garthland, Sask.	Cincinnati	26	36	62	19
	Joe Noris	D	6-0	180	10-26-51/Denver, Colo.	St. Louis	0	0	0	0
						SD Denver	13	31	44	28
						Hershey	2	5	7	9
11	Gil Perreault	C	5-11	183	11-13-50/Victoriaville, Que.	Buffalo	28	60	88	10
4	Tracy Pratt	D	6-2	195	3-8-43/New York, N.Y.	Buffalo	1	15	16	116
10	Craig Ramsay	RW	5-11	170	3-17-51/Toronto, Ont.	Buffalo	11	17	28	15
	Bob Richer	LW	5-10	175	3-5-51/Cowansville, Que.	Buffalo	0	0	0	0
						Cincinnati	11	10	21	12
14	Rene Robert	RW	5-9	165	12-31-48/Three Rivers, Que.	Buffalo	40	43	83	83
	Joe Robertson	C	5-11	180	3-10-48/Windsor, N.S.	Cincinnati	30	50	80	125
3	Mike Robitaille	D	5-11	195	2-12-48/Midland, Ont.	Buffalo	4	17	21	40
22	Doug Rombough	C	6-3	190	7-8-50/Fergus, Ont.	Buffalo	2	0	2	0
						Cincinnati	28	43	71	48
6	Jim Schoenfeld	D	6-2	193	9-4-52/Galt, Ont.	Buffalo	4	15	19	178
18	Paul Terbenche	D	5-10	170	9-16-45/Port Hope, Ont.	Buffalo	0	7	7	8
	Morris Titanic	LW	6-0	190	1-7-53/	Sudbury	61	60	121	80
16	Randy Wyrozub	LW	5-11	180	4-8-50/Lacombe, Alta.	Buffalo	3	3	6	4
						Cincinnati	8	9	17	6
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
28	Garry Bromley	G	5-10	145	1-19-50/Edmonton, Alta.	Cincinnati	29	76	0	2.66
1	Roger Crozier	G	5-8	160	3-16-42/Bracebridge, Ont.	Buffalo	49	121	3	2.76
30	Dave Dryden	G	6-2	180	9-5-41/Hamilton, Ont.	Buffalo	37	89	3	2.65
	Rocky Farr	G	5-11	180	4-7-47/Toronto, Ont.	Buffalo	1	3	0	6.21
						Cincinnati	46	121	3	2.64

Rick Martin and Rene Robert scored 105 goals and accumulated 244 points last season—but, as the Canadiens showed in eliminating Buffalo in the first round of the playoffs, Crozier needs others he can count on. Gerry Meehan (35 goals) and Jim Lorentz (27) were the only other Sabres to score more than 20 and they got them in streaks.

As long as Perreault is in the lineup, the Sabres will be dangerous. He showed in the playoffs that he is one of the really good ones.

Crozier is hoping that Morris Titanic, top draft choice, who scored 61 goals for the Sudbury Wolves, will be another Rick Martin and that one or two of the forwards who helped the Sabres' Cincinnati farm club to the American League championship will move in to help. The coach expects to give Joe Noris, defenseman-forward acquired from St. Louis, a try at center and right wing.

DEFENSE: With tough, hard-working, 43-year-old Tim Horton coming out of retirement to help the young defensemen, the Sabres cut their goals-against total from 289 to 219, third best in the entire NHL.

If Punch Imlach could talk his old friend from Stanley Cup days in Toronto into another season, the defense should improve further. Jim Schoenfeld and Larry Carriere, rookies of last season, learned plenty with Horton's help. Schoenfeld showed that he can handle himself when the going gets rough, but the Sabres could use another of that type.

Tracy Pratt, Mike Robitaille, Paul Terbenche and veteran Larry Hillman, all of whom played regularly at one time or another last season, are back. They will be pushed by youngsters up from Cincinnati and perhaps Paul Curtis, also obtained from St. Louis.

When Roger Crozier, the goalie who kept the scores respectable through Buffalo's first two campaigns, fell ill again at midseason, Dave Dryden proved himself a capable NHL goaltender. Crozier, who looked great most of the time, has missed part of each Buffalo season because of illness.

OUTLOOK: In Joe Crozier's first full season as coach, the Sabres became the first expansion club to make the playoffs by beating out pre-expansion teams (Toronto and Detroit). They barely made it, however, and must improve, as their rivals probably will, to repeat.

Crozier's club needs better balanced scoring, more consistent defense and continued topflight goaltending.

SABRE PROFILES

GIL PERREAULT 23 6-1 185 **Forward**

Brilliant young center who has achieved superstar status after three years in NHL . . . Exceptional skater, shooter, puck-handler and playmaker has produced 72, 74 and 88 points in first three seasons . . . Has made progress in improving his defensive work . . . Set rookie scoring record and won Calder Trophy in first season of NHL play . . . Won Lady Byng Trophy for ability and sportsmanship last season . . . Born Nov. 13, 1950, at Victoriaville, Que. . . . He has the moves and speed to embarrass the most accomplished defensemen on 1-on-1 rushes and goaltenders consider his shot one of the toughest in league to handle.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Buffalo	78	38	34	72
1971-72	Buffalo	76	26	48	74
1972-73	Buffalo	78	28	60	88
	Totals	232	92	142	234

RICK MARTIN 22 5-11 165 **Forward**

Like Gil Perreault, another bright young star who has moved successfully from junior hockey into the NHL . . . Broke Perreault's rookie scoring record with 44 goals and 74 points his first season in league and last season scored 37 goals and 73 points as part of slick, quick French Connection line with Perreault and Rene Robert . . . Born July 26, 1951, at Montreal, Que. . . . General manager Punch Imlach describes the left wing as "the greatest natural goal scorer I've seen.'

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Buffalo	73	44	30	74
1972-73	Buffalo	75	37	36	73
	Totals	148	81	66	147

RENE ROBERT 25 5-9 165 **Forward**

Sabres gave up Eddie Shack to Pittsburgh on the March 5, 1972, trading deadline to get Robert from Pittsburgh, a good

deal for Buffalo and a bad one for the Penguins when you consider he scored 40 goals last season . . . General manager Punch Imlach and coach Joe Crozier had their eyes on Robert when they were working for Toronto and Robert was a 69-goal scorer as a junior . . . Started as a center and made successful transition to right wing . . . Born Dec. 31, 1948, at Trois Rivieres, Que. . . . "He's got a quick, hard shot and a knack for scoring goals," says Crozier.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	5	0	0	0
1971-72	Pitt.Pe.-Buff.	61	13	14	27
1972-73	Buffalo	75	40	43	83
	Totals	141	53	57	110

JIM LORENTZ 26 6-0 185 **Forward**

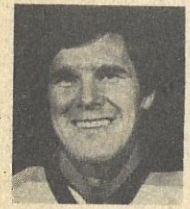
There are few more versatile players in the NHL than Lorentz, who can play center, right wing or left wing . . . After seeing limited use with Boston, he was traded to St. Louis and showed flashes of excellence with a 19-goal season . . . He was unhappy sitting on the bench during a half-season in New York and last season established himself with Sabres with 27 goals and 62 points . . . "I always knew I could score if I got a chance to play regularly," he says . . . Born May 1, 1947, at Waterloo, Ont. . . . Hard two-way worker who excels on power plays.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Boston	11	1	3	4
1969-70	Boston	68	7	16	23
1970-71	St.Louis B.	76	19	21	40
1971-72	St.L.B.-NYR-Buff.	52	10	15	25
1972-73	Buffalo	78	27	35	62
	Totals	285	64	90	154

TIM HORTON 42 5-10 180 **Defenseman**

Made his NHL debut with Toronto in 1949-50 season and still going strong . . . After 20 distinguished years with Maple

Leafs, played two seasons with Rangers and one with Pittsburgh before becoming anchorman of Sabre defense . . . "He's still the strongest man in the NHL and keeps himself in super condition," says the Rangers' Brad Park, a boyhood admirer of the veteran whom teammates call "Superman." . . . Born Jan. 12, 1930, at Cochrane, Ont. . . . Smart defenseman and successful businessman who owns a chain of donut shops.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1949-50	Toronto M.L.	1	0	0	0
1951-52	Toronto M.L.	4	0	0	0
1952-53	Toronto M.L.	70	2	14	16
1953-54	Toronto M.L.	70	7	24	31
1954-55	Toronto M.L.	67	5	9	14
1955-56	Toronto M.L.	35	0	5	5
1956-57	Toronto M.L.	66	6	19	25
1957-58	Toronto M.L.	53	6	20	26
1958-59	Toronto M.L.	70	5	21	26
1959-60	Toronto M.L.	70	3	29	32
1960-61	Toronto M.L.	57	6	15	21
1961-62	Toronto M.L.	70	10	28	38
1962-63	Toronto M.L.	70	6	19	25
1963-64	Toronto M.L.	70	9	20	29
1964-65	Toronto M.L.	70	12	16	28
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	70	6	22	28
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	70	8	17	25
1967-68	Toronto M.L.	69	4	23	27
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	74	11	29	40
1969-70	Tor. M.L.-N.Y. R.	74	4	24	28
1970-71	New York R.	78	2	18	20
1971-72	Pitt. Pe.	44	2	9	11
1972-73	Buffalo	69	1	16	17
	Totals	1391	115	397	512

JIM SCHOENFELD 21 6-2 200 **Defenseman**

Made a spectacular jump from junior hockey into the NHL after being chosen first by the Sabres in the 1972 amateur draft . . . Got a big buildup as a hitter but as season progressed proved also to be a smart rear guard who brought the puck out of his zone effectively and made a minimum of mistakes for a rookie . . . His jarring bodychecks prevented rival wingers from taking liberties when he was on ice . . . Born Sept. 4, 1952, at

Galt, Ont. . . . Developed quickly by being paired with veteran Tim Horton . . . Fan favorite who cut a record as a rock singer.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Buffalo	66	4	15	19

ROGER CROZIER 31 5-8 160 **Goaltender**

He's been an all-star only once, but many players in the NHL consider him to be among the best and most courageous goaltenders . . . An acrobat who specializes in diving, spectacular point-blank saves few goalies can make . . . Career marked by stomach disorders and nerves caused by pressure of guarding the goal cage . . . Once was spectacular but lost, 9-5, to Rangers in 65-shot bombardment . . . Born March 16, 1942, at Bracebridge, Ont. . . . An unheralded star in Detroit before joining Sabres.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1963-64	Detroit R.W.	15	51	2	3.40
1964-65	Detroit R.W.	69-1/2	168	6	2.42
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	62-1/3	173	7	2.79
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	54-1/3	182	4	3.35
1967-68	Detroit R.W.	28-3/4	95	1	3.30
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	30-1/3	101	0	3.39
1969-70	Detroit R.W.	31-1/3	83	0	2.65
1970-71	Buffalo	36-2/3	135	1	3.68
1971-72	Buffalo	61	214	2	3.51
1972-73	Buffalo	44	121	3	2.76
	Totals	433-1/3	1323	26	3.02

DON LUCE 25 6-2 178 **Forward**

Sabre fans and coach Joe Crozier appreciate his unsung hero role and value as a penalty killer and center whose checking neutralizes the enemy's best pivotman . . . "Of course, I enjoy scoring goals, but I get almost as much kick helping kill off a penalty or doing my job as a defensive forward," says the former Ranger . . . Born Oct. 2, 1948, at

London, Ont. . . . His 18 goals last season were a career high . . . Gets lots of kidding from teammates for his curly Afro-style hair.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	NYR-Det.RW	67	3	12	15
1971-72	Buffalo	78	11	8	19
1972-73	Buffalo	78	18	25	43
	Totals	235	33	47	80

GERRY MEEHAN 27 6-2 200 **Forward**

Definitely unpopular in Philadelphia because on the final day of the 1972 season his goal with four seconds to play eliminated the Flyers from the playoffs . . . Smooth center who twice beat the Rangers with winning goals last season . . . Never got the chance he deserved with Toronto and Philadelphia but has scored 77 goals in three years with Sabres, including career high 31 and 60 points last season . . . Born Sept. 3, 1946, at Toronto, Ont. . . . "There aren't many guys in the NHL I'd trade him for," claims GM Punch Imlach.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Tor.ML-Pha.F	37	0	5	5
1970-71	Buffalo	77	24	31	55
1971-72	Buffalo	77	19	27	46
1972-73	Buffalo	77	31	29	60
	Totals	268	74	92	166

DAVE DRYDEN 32 6-2 180 **Goaltender**

Kept Sabres in contention for playoff berth last season with clutch goaltending while Roger Crozier was sidelined with pancreatitis . . . His 2.65 average and 37 goaltending missions represented highlight of his NHL career starting in 1962 with two periods of relief goaltending for Rangers . . . Born Sept. 5, 1941, at Hamilton, Ont., and expected to see more action this season . . . Older brother of Montreal goaltender Ken Dryden and in 1971 made hockey history when brothers faced each other in goal for first time.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1961-62	New York R.	2/3	3	0	4.50
1965-66	Chicago	7-2/3	23	0	3.00
1967-68	Chicago	21-1/3	69	1	3.23
1968-69	Chicago	24-2/3	79	3	3.20
1970-71	Buffalo	7	23	1	3.37
1971-72	Buffalo	17	68	0	3.97
1972-73	Buffalo	33-2/3	89	3	2.65
	Totals	112	354	8	3.16

COACH JOE CROZIER: Became Sabres' coach at mid-season in 1971-72 when Punch Imlach suffered a heart attack and relinquished coaching job . . . Last season was his first full campaign in NHL and he guided Sabres into playoffs for first time . . . Earned reputation as smart coach in minor leagues at Vancouver, Rochester and Cincinnati . . . NHL playing career consisted of five games with 1959-60 Toronto Maple Leafs . . . Born Feb. 19, 1929, at Winnipeg, Man. . . . Once served as a TV sportscaster . . . Visibly upset after losses.

ALL-TIME SABRE LEADERS

GOALS: Richard Martin, 44, 1971-72
ASSISTS: Gil Perreault, 60, 1972-73
POINTS: Gil Perreault, 88, 1972-73
SHUTOUTS: Dave Dryden, 3, 1972-73
Roger Crozier, 3, 1972-73

DETROIT RED WINGS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Bruce A. Norris; V.P.: Mrs. Marguerite Norris Riker; Exec. Dir.: Jim Bishop; Gen. Mgr.: Ned Harkness; Chief Scout: Jim Skinner; Pub. Rel.: John Bell; Coach: Ted Garvin. Home ice: Olympia Stadium (16,200; 200′ x 83′). Colors: Red and white. Training camp: Port Huron, Mich.

Mickey Redmond skates toward a 52-goal season.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: With the Red Wing management increasing the capacity of the Olympia by 3,000 and upping the price of arena seats from $7 to $8, Detroit fans are going to expect a little more from a team that has fizzled at season's end and missed the playoffs the last two years. The Wings have, in fact, made Stanley Cup play only once in the last seven campaigns.

| RED WINGS ROSTER | | |

Mickey Redmond did more than his share to make last season a success, however, and got a five-year contract at a reported $1 million as a result of becoming the first Detroit player ever to score 50 goals. He had 52, plus 41 assists, and made the first all-star team at right wing.

Marcel Dionne, after early-season trouble with management, came through with a good year, 40 goals and 50 assists. But Bill Collins, a fine penalty-killer, is the only other forward who hit the 20-mark in goals.

Nick Libett, 19 goals, and Red Berenson, 13, are coming off disappointing seasons. Both have demonstrated they can do much better. Rookie Henry Boucha is an exciting player. Al Karlander, disappointed at not playing more, jumped to the World Hockey Association. .

DEFENSE: Roy Edwards did a lot more goaltending for the Red Wings last season than practically anyone thought he would and he did an outstanding job. The 34-year-old veteran, who has had an up-and-down, in-and-out career in the minors and the NHL, posted a 2.63 goals-against average behind a not-too-formidable defense and had six shutouts, tying Montreal's Ken Dryden for the league lead in that department.

The Wings took a goaltender in the first round of the amateur draft, Terry Richardson from New Westminster, reputed to be second only to John Davidson (going to St. Louis) among junior netminders. They hope he can move right in as Edwards' alternate.

Gary Bergman continues in his unheralded way to be one of the best defensemen in the league, but his fellow workers at the blue line are not in that class.

Larry Johnston, who finally made it to the NHL after a long minor-league career, does a good, conscientious job, as does Ron Stackhouse. Thommie Bergman, the Swedish import, showed promise after a slow start.

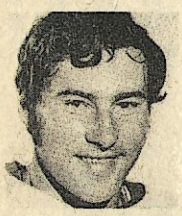
OUTLOOK: Ted Garvin, the excitable veteran who came up from the Port Huron Wings of the International Hockey League to take over as coach when John Wilson was fired, says he will institute an "aggressive, forechecking style of play," with "discipline both on and off the ice."

That's what general manager Ned Harkness wanted in his short and ill-fated whirl as Detroit coach. The Wings at times looked great last season, and if they can play that well consistently they could beat out the upstart Sabres for the fourth playoff berth in the East.

RED WING PROFILES

MICKEY REDMOND 26 5-11 185 — **Forward**

Fifty-two goals last season made it 94 in the last two campaigns . . . Overlooked in All-Star Game voting but named to post-season all-star team . . . Showed scoring promise with 27 goals in 1969-70 at Montreal but an ankle injury prompted Canadiens to send him to Detroit in exchange for Frank Mahovlich . . . Trade worked well for both teams . . . "He's fast, has a great shot, and I don't think there are many better right wings than him," says general manager Ned Harkness . . . Born Dec. 27, 1947, at Kirkland Lake, Ont. . . . Goalies rate his shot among best in NHL.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Montreal C.	41	6	5	11
1968-69	Montreal C.	65	9	15	24
1969-70	Montreal C.	75	27	27	54
1970-71	Mtl. C.-Det. R.W.	61	20	23	43
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	78	42	29	71
1972-73	Detroit R.W.	76	52	41	93
	Totals	396	156	140	296

MARCEL DIONNE 22 5-8 175 — **Forward**

Proved rookie season was no fluke with 40-goal, 90-point season . . . Tough and aggressive despite size . . . Skates fast and stays low so he is hard to hit . . . Set NHL rookie point-scoring record in 1971-72 season with 77 . . . Left team for one game last season in dispute over practice with ousted coach Johnny Wilson . . . Born Aug. 3, 1951, at Drummondville, Que. . . . Rangers wanted him badly before Red Wings claimed him in amateur draft . . . Nicknamed Little Beaver and is one of league's speediest skaters.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	78	28	49	77
1972-73	Detroit R.W.	77	40	50	90
	Totals	155	68	99	167

TIM ECCLESTONE 26 6-0 188 — **Forward**

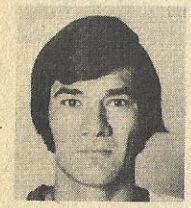
Has the ability to blossom forth as a goal-scorer but has not reached 20-goal level in seven NHL seasons . . . Strong skater

who patrols right wing effectively and delivers jarring checks . . . Valuable guy because he knows how to check high-scoring left wings and is an expert penalty-killer . . . Originally signed by the Rangers but broke into NHL with St. Louis Blues . . . Born Sept. 24, 1947, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Joined Wings in 1971 trade with St. Louis involving Garry Unger.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	St. Louis B.	50	6	8	14
1968-69	St. Louis B.	68	11	23	34
1969-70	St. Louis B.	65	16	21	37
1970-71	St. L. B.-Det. R.W.	74	19	34	53
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	72	18	35	53
1972-73	Detroit R.W.	78	18	30	48
	Totals	407	88	151	239

HENRY BOUCHA 22 6-1 190 **Forward**

Flashy center with spectacular moves . . . Starred with U. S. Olympic team before turning pro with Wings . . . American-born athlete was high school star in football, baseball, track, tennis and hockey . . . Scored a goal in his first NHL game in 1972 and expects to improve this season upon last season's goal total of 14 . . . Born June 1, 1951, at Warroad, Minn. . . . Became an Olympia folk hero last season by playing with a red headband to show his heritage as a Chippewa Indian.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	16	1	0	1
1972-73	Detroit R.W.	73	14	14	28
	Totals	89	15	14	29

ALEX DELVECCHIO 42 6-0 195 **Forward**

Gray-haired, mild-mannered veteran of 22 NHL seasons . . . Ranks second to former Red Wing Gordie Howe in career

games (1,538); assists (821), and points (1,276) . . . Seventh on all-time goal-scoring list with 455 . . . Last season's 71 points marked his best season in five years . . . "He's the best centerman at making consistently perfect passes that I've ever seen," says former teammate Bruce MacGregor of the Rangers . . . Born Dec. 4, 1931, at Fort William, Ont. . . . "I still enjoy playing hockey, and since skating has always come naturally to me, it's never seemed like hard work," says the Detroit captain.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1950-51	Detroit R.W.	1	0	0	0
1951-52	Detroit R.W.	65	15	22	37
1952-53	Detroit R.W.	70	16	43	59
1953-54	Detroit R.W.	69	11	18	29
1954-55	Detroit R.W.	69	17	31	48
1955-56	Detroit R.W.	70	25	26	51
1956-57	Detroit R.W.	48	16	25	41
1957-58	Detroit R.W.	70	21	38	59
1958-59	Detroit R.W.	70	19	35	54
1959-60	Detroit R.W.	70	19	28	47
1960-61	Detroit R.W.	70	27	35	62
1961-62	Detroit R.W.	70	26	43	69
1962-63	Detroit R.W.	70	20	44	64
1963-64	Detroit R.W.	70	23	30	53
1964-65	Detroit R.W.	68	25	42	67
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	70	31	38	69
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	70	17	38	55
1967-68	Detroit R.W.	74	22	48	70
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	72	25	58	83
1969-70	Detroit R.W.	73	21	47	68
1970-71	Detroit R.W.	77	21	34	55
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	75	20	45	65
1972-73	Detroit R.W.	77	18	53	71
	Totals	1538	455	821	1276

RED BERENSON 34 6-0 193 **Forward**

Things have to improve for the Red Baron . . . Last season was one of his most disappointing with only 13 goals . . . That's half the total he scored in 1968 for St. Louis against Philadelphia when he tied the modern NHL record with six goals in one game . . . Twice a 30-goal scorer for St.

Louis . . . Red Wings acquired him in 1971 trade for Garry Unger . . . Born Dec. 8, 1939, at Regina, Sask. . . . Red-haired center was an All-American at the University of Michigan . . . Among first NHL players to wear helmet . . . Former president of NHL Players Association.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1961-62	Montreal C.	4	1	2	3
1962-63	Montreal C.	37	2	6	8
1963-64	Montreal C.	69	7	9	16
1964-65	Montreal C.	3	1	2	3
1965-66	Montreal C.	23	3	4	7
1966-67	New York R.	30	0	5	5
1967-68	N.Y. R.-St. L. B.	74	24	30	54
1968-69	St. Louis B.	76	35	47	82
1969-70	St. Louis B.	67	33	39	72
1970-71	St. L. B.-Det. R. W.	69	21	38	59
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	78	28	41	69
1972-73	Detroit R. W.	78	13	30	43
	Totals	608	168	253	421

GARY BERGMAN 34 5-11 185 — **Defenseman**

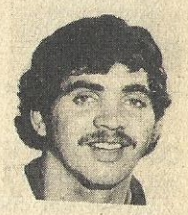
Steady veteran of Red Wing defense enters 10th season Detroit blue liner . . . Russians learned to respect him for the jarring bodychecks he gave them in Team Canada series last year . . . Underrated defenseman who has mastered the hard but clean bodycheck and disappearing art of stick-checking . . . Born Oct. 7, 1939, at Kenora, Ont. . . . Nicknamed Bergie . . . Respected around league as a player who puts forth 100 per cent effort all the time . . . Doesn't score much but can carry the puck . . . Flying is his hobby.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1964-65	Detroit R.W.	58	4	7	11
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	61	3	16	19
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	70	5	30	35
1967-68	Detroit R.W.	74	13	28	41
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	76	7	30	37
1969-70	Detroit R.W.	69	6	17	23
1970-71	Detroit R.W.	68	8	25	33
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	75	6	31	37
1972-73	Detroit R.W.	68	3	28	31
	Totals	619	55	312	267

RON STACKHOUSE 24 6-3 195 — **Defenseman**

Student of the game who should come into his own this season . . . Not high-scoring or often penalized, but has the size and skills to handle most rival forwards on 1-on-1 situations . . . Broke into the NHL at 21 as a regular rear guard for California Golden Seals and was traded after 1970-71 season to Red Wings . . . Led Red Wing defensemen in scoring last year . . . Born Aug. 26, 1949, at Haliburton, Ont. . . . Has low, hard slap shot and delivers it quickly from the point.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	California	78	8	24	32
1971-72	Calif.-Det. R.W.	79	6	28	34
1972-73	Detroit R.W.	78	5	29	34
	Totals	235	19	81	100



ROY EDWARDS 36 5-8 165 — **Goaltender**

Fifteen-year pro veteran who struggled in minors before reaching NHL as a 30-year-old in 1967 . . . Retired briefly after serious head injury and returned to NHL with Pittsburgh . . . Shared Red Wing goaltending with Roger Crozier before becoming No. 1 in 1970-71 . . . Born March 12, 1937, at Seneca, Ont. . . . Has fast catching hand . . . Last season was his best in NHL with 2.63 average, 52 games and six shutouts to tie for league lead . . . Participated in 27 of Wings' 37 wins.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1967-68	Detroit R.W.	36-1/2	127	0	3.50
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	35	89	4	2.54
1969-70	Detroit R.W.	44-2/3	116	2	2.57
1970-71	Detroit R.W.	35	119	0	3.39
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	14	36	0	2.55
1972-73	Detroit R.W.	50-1/3	132	6	2.63
	Totals	215-1/2	619	12	2.88

THOMMIE BERGMAN 26 6-3 198 — **Defenseman**

Scouted by Red Wings in Europe and signed after his play with Swedish National Team in 1972 Olympics . . . Made successful transition to NHL last season and was stamped as

future star . . . Tall, husky blond is skillful puck-carrier who can skate as if he were a forward . . . Not afraid to hit, either . . . Born Dec. 10, 1947, at Munkfors, Sweden . . . Not related to teammate Gary Bergman . . . Wears helmet . . . Pronounces first name "Toe-Me."

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Detroit R.W.....	75	9	12	21

COACH TED GARVIN: The Red Wings' sixth coach in the last five years . . . Developed a reputation as a colorful and controversial coach in five seasons with Detroit's Port Huron International League farm team . . . Frequently drew bench penalties and suspensions for throwing towels and other foreign objects on ice when annoyed by officials' calls . . . "It's just that I get so frustrated when I see an official's call hurt my club," he says . . . "Besides, I think we can use a little color behind the bench; it helps perk the team up and the fans love it." . . . Husky new coach led Port Huron to two championships and into playoffs five years . . . Refuses to provide his date of birth.

ALL-TIME RED WING LEADERS

GOALS: Mickey Redmond, 52, 1972-73
ASSISTS: Gordie Howe, 59, 1968-69
POINTS: Gordie Howe, 103, 1968-69
SHUTOUTS: Terry Sawchuck, 12, 1951-52, 1954-55
Glenn Hall, 12, 1955-56

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Harold E. Ballard; Chairman: Paul McNamara; V.P.: Frank "King" Clancy; V.P.: William O.S. Ballard; Gen. Mgr.: Jim Gregory; Coach: To be named; Dir. of Pub.: Howard Starkman; Chief Scout: Bob Davidson. Home ice: Maple Leaf Gardens (16,316; 200′ x 85′). Colors: Blue and white. Training camp: Maple Leaf Gardens.

Pierre Jarry bodychecks Detroit's Ron Stackhouse.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: The Maple Leafs did some maneuvering to obtain three picks in the first round of the amateur draft. One was a forward they expect to step right in and help their rebuilding task.

MAPLE LEAFS ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
	Reg Bechtold	C	5-9	170	6-10-47/Moose Jaw, Sask.	Tulsa	40	39	79	21
	Willie Brossart	D	6-0	190	5-29-49/Allan, Sask.	Philadelphia	0	1	1	0
						Richmond	1	29	30	66
7	Terry Clancy	D	6-0	195	4-2-43/Ottawa, Ont.	Toronto	0	1	1	6
15	Bob Duncan	C	5-10	180	5-30-40/Nordegg, Alta.	Tulsa	17	25	42	112
6	Denis Dupere	LW	6-0	175	6-6-48/Jonquierre, Que.	Toronto	13	23	36	10
10	Ron Ellis	RW	5-9	175	1-8-45/Lindsay, Ont.	Toronto	22	29	51	22
22	George Ferguson	C	6-0	190	8-22-52/Trenton, Ont.	Toronto	10	13	23	34
	Dave Fortier	D	5-11	189	6-17-51/Sudbury, Ont.	Toronto	1	4	5	63
						Tulsa	2	20	22	148
24	Brian Glennie	D	6-1	197	8-29-46/Toronto, Ont.	Toronto	1	10	11	54
3	John Grisdale	D	6-0	190	8-23-48/Geraldton, Ont.	Toronto	1	7	8	76
	Inge Hammarstroem	F	6-0	180		Swedish Nationals	—	—	—	—
19	Paul Henderson	LW	5-11	180	1-28-43/Kincardine, Ont.	Toronto	18	16	34	18
8	Pierre Jarry	RW	5-11	180	3-30-49/Montreal, Que.	Toronto	19	18	37	42
17	Rick Kehoe	RW	5-11	180	7-15-51/Windsor, Ont.	Toronto	33	42	75	20
14	Dave Keon	C	5-9	163	3-22-40/Noranda, Que.	Toronto	37	36	73	2
2	Joe Lundrigan	D	5-11	180	9-11-48/Cornerbrook, Nfld.	Toronto	2	7	9	20
						Tulsa	3	2	5	10
	Lanny McDonald	RW	6-0	180	2-16-53/	Medicine Hat	62	77	139	84
18	Jim McKenny	D	6-0	185	12-1-46/Ottawa, Ont.	Toronto	11	41	52	55
	Lyle Moffat	LW	5-10	180	3-19-48/Calgary, Alta.	Toronto	0	0	0	0
						Tulsa	40	40	80	104
20	Garry Monahan	LW	6-0	185	10-20-46/Barrie, Ont.	Toronto	13	18	31	53
	Bob Neeley	D	5-11	213	11-9-53/	Peterborough	24	52	76	304
	Gord Nelson	D	5-7	180	5-10-47/Kinistino, Sask.	Phoen.-Port.	6	28	34	171
16	Randy Osburn	RW	6-0	195	11-26-52/Collingwood, Ont.	Toronto	0	2	2	0
						Tulsa	9	11	20	25
4	Mike Pelyk	D	6-1	188	9-29-47/Toronto, Ont.	Toronto	3	16	19	118
	Brian St. John	C	6-1	185	6-26-48/Howley, Nfld.	Tulsa	13	27	40	22
	Boerje Salming	D	6-1	188	—	Swedish Nationals	—	—	—	—
	Eddie Shack	RW	6-1	195	2-11-37/Sudbury, Ont.	Pittsburgh	25	20	45	84
27	Darryl Sittler	C	6-0	190	9-18-50/Kitchener, Ont.	Toronto	29	48	77	69
	Dale Smedsmo	LW	6-1	195	4-23-51/Roseau, Minn.	Toronto	0	0	0	0
						Tulsa	12	18	30	185
12	Errol Thompson	LW	5-9	185	5-28-50/Summerside, PEI	Toronto	13	19	32	8
	Ian Turnbull	D	5-11	197	12-22-53/	Ottawa (OHA)	25	39	64	90
9	Norm Ullman	C	5-10	185	12-26-35/Provost, Alta.	Toronto	20	35	55	10
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
1	Doug Favell	G	5-10	172	4-5-45/St. Catharines, Ont.	Philadelphia	44	114	3	2.83
	Ed Johnston	G	6-0	190	11-23-35/Montreal, Que.	Boston	45	137	5	3.27
	Ron Low	G	6-1	205	6-21-50/Birtle, Man.	Toronto	42	152	1	3.89
	Gordon McRae	G	6-0	180	4-12-48/Sherbrooke, Que.	Toronto	11	39	0	3.77
						Tulsa	42	154	3	3.75
	Dunc Wilson	G	5-11	175	3-22-48/Toronto, Ont.	Vancouver	43	159	1	3.94

He is Lanny McDonald, a high-scoring right winger from the Medicine Hat Tigers. One of two players the Leafs brought over from Sweden, Inge Hammerstroem, a 25-year-old veteran of international play, is a forward who might make it.

The ever dangerous and dependable Dave Keon and maybe four other forwards turned in acceptable performances in Toronto's disappointing season of 1972-73. Keon led the club in goals with 37, did his usual good two-way job and killed penalties as well as ever.

Darryl Sittler led the club in scoring with 77 points, including 29 goals. Rick Kehoe (33 goals), Ron Ellis (22) and Paul Henderson are others the Leafs will rebuild around. Henderson fell off somewhat from his Team Canada showing, with 18 goals, but he nevertheless is counted on for the future.

Thirty-seven-year-old Norm Ullman is a question mark.

DEFENSE: Jim McKenny and Brian Glennie are the two defensemen coming off a decent season and upon whom the Leafs are depending for a rejuvenation in the defense corps. Mike Pelyk, injured again, was inconsistent, but there are hopes that he will fulfill his potential.

The Leafs drafted two junior defensemen in the first round, Bob Neeley from the Peterborough Petes and Jan Turnbull from the Ottawa 67s. If this pair can produce in their first pro season it will be a big help. A Swede, Boerje Salming, 21, might step in and do the job, just as Thommie Bergman from that country did for the Detroit Red Wings.

Two youngsters, Dave Fortier and Joe Lundrigan, did some hitting in their rookie season but didn't show too much otherwise.

If 37-year-old Ed Johnston, who was the "player to be named" in the Jacques Plante deal, can come through with one of his outstanding years in goal, it would mean a lot to the Leafs, who also have Doug Favell, newly acquired from the Philadelphia Flyers, plus Dunc Wilson from Vancouver.

OUTLOOK: The once-proud Leafs appear to be a disorganized club. They fired John McLellan after last season's poor showing and still had not named a coach at the time of the June meetings.

It will take some doing to get back where Toronto fans expect their club to be—in the thick of the East Division battle and the Stanley Cup playoffs. And it will take more than coaching to do it. Forwards who will score and defensemen who will defend are needed.

MAPLE LEAF PROFILES

DAVE KEON 33 5-9 163 — Forward

Fourteen-season NHL veteran who is recognized as one of the finest all-round centers in the game . . . Excels as a skater, passer, forechecker and penalty-killer . . . Twice has won Lady Byng Trophy for his sportsmanship . . . After slumping from 38 to 18 goals in 1971-72, bounced back with 37 last season . . . Born March 22, 1940, at Noranda, Que. . . . Fifth season as Leafs' captain . . . Ranks high among active players in scoring with 324 goals and 746 career points.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1960-61	Toronto M.L.	70	20	25	45
1961-62	Toronto M.L.	64	26	35	61
1962-63	Toronto M.L.	68	28	28	56
1963-64	Toronto M.L.	70	23	37	60
1964-65	Toronto M.L.	65	21	29	50
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	69	24	30	54
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	66	19	33	52
1967-68	Toronto M.L.	67	11	37	48
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	75	27	34	61
1969-70	Toronto M.L.	72	32	30	62
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	76	38	38	76
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	72	18	30	48
1972-73	Toronto M.L.	76	37	36	73
	Totals	910	324	422	746

PAUL HENDERSON 30 5-11 177 — Forward

Last season was a peculiar one for the slick, quick left wing . . . He became a national hero for his remarkable three winning goals in the final three games of the Team Canada-Russia series . . . Regular-season injuries, however, kept him out of 38 games and his goal-scoring fell from 38 to 18 . . . Born Jan. 28, 1943, at Kincardine, Ont. . . . Quick skater who is most effective breaking away from his check, deking defenseman and firing an unmolested shot on goal . . . Once had to play while wearing a surgical mask because of a mysterious breathing ailment.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1962-63	Detroit R.W.	2	0	0	0
1963-64	Detroit R.W.	32	3	3	6
1964-65	Detroit R.W.	70	8	13	21
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	69	22	24	46
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	46	21	19	40
1967-68	Det. R.W.-Tor. M.L.	63	18	26	44
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	74	27	32	59
1969-70	Toronto M.L.	67	20	22	42
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	72	30	30	60
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	73	38	19	57
1972-73	Toronto M.L.	40	18	16	34
	Totals	608	205	204	409

RON ELLIS 27 5-10 175 — Forward

Starred with Paul Henderson in Team Canada-Russia series with his effective checking of swift Soviet left wings . . . Strong skater with hard shot who works as hard trying to score goals as he does stopping his man from scoring . . . Clever passer and puck-handler . . . Born Jan. 8, 1945, at Lindsay, Ont. . . . Durable right wing has missed only one game in four years . . . Many rival players call him the hardest-working two-way forward in the NHL . . . Has been under 20 goals only once in his major league career.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1963-64	Toronto M.L.	1	0	0	0
1964-65	Toronto M.L.	62	23	16	39
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	70	19	23	42
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	67	22	23	45
1967-68	Toronto M.L.	74	28	20	48
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	72	25	21	46
1969-70	Toronto M.L.	76	35	19	54
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	78	24	29	53
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	78	23	24	47
1972-73	Toronto M.L.	77	22	29	51
	Totals	655	221	204	425

DARRYL SITTLER 23 6-0 190 — Forward

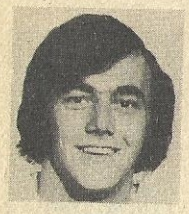
Leafs wish they had more bright young stars such as this strong left wing and center . . . Lived up to expectations last season, his third in the NHL, by leading team with 77 points . . . Never played a game in the minor leagues after

Leafs drafted him No. 1 in 1970 amateur draft . . . Born Sept. 18, 1950, at Kitchener, Ont. . . . Used mainly at center last season . . . Strong and mobile and is at his best when Toronto has a sustained attack in enemy zone.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	49	10	8	18
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	74	15	17	32
1972-73	Toronto M.L.	78	29	48	77
	Totals	201	54	73	127

RICK KEHOE 22 5-11 180 — **Forward**

Fooled the experts with a 33-goal, 75-point record last season after being picked only 22nd in 1971 amateur draft . . . Plays on line with Darryl Sittler in Toronto as he did as a junior player in London, Ontario . . . Made rapid development as a high-scoring NHL right wing in his first full season in the major leagues . . . Born July 15, 1951, at Windsor, Ont. . . . "He's a bright young guy who's going to make a name for himself in the NHL," says former coach John McLellan.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	38	8	8	16
1972-73	Toronto M.L.	77	33	42	75
	Totals	115	41	50	91

NORM ULLMAN 38 5-10 180 — **Forward**

A classy center who enters his 19th NHL season as one of the league's highest career scorers . . . Starred in Detroit 12 years before joining Leafs in 1967-68 in controversial trade involving Frank Mahovlich . . . Ranks sixth on all-time goal-scoring list with 459 and has 1,125 career points . . . Born Dec. 26, 1935, at Provost, Alta. . . . Quiet guy who often avoids the spotlight . . . Despite his age, keeps himself in superb physical condition and is one of the best skaters in the NHL . . . A magician with his stick when close to the net.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1955-56	Detroit R.W.	66	9	9	18
1956-57	Detroit R.W.	64	16	36	52
1957-58	Detroit R.W.	69	23	28	51
1958-59	Detroit R.W.	69	22	36	58
1959-60	Detroit R.W.	70	24	34	58
1960-61	Detroit R.W.	70	28	42	70
1961-62	Detroit R.W.	70	26	38	64
1962-63	Detroit R.W.	70	26	30	56
1963-64	Detroit R.W.	61	21	30	51
1964-65	Detroit R.W.	70	42	41	83
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	70	31	41	72
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	68	26	44	70
1967-68	Det. R.W.-Tor. M.L.	71	35	37	72
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	75	35	42	77
1969-70	Toronto M.L.	74	18	42	60
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	73	34	51	85
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	77	23	50	73
1972-73	Toronto M.L.	65	20	35	55
	Totals	1252	459	666	1125

JIM McKENNY 27 6-0 185 — **Defenseman**

Shrewd playmaker who uses finesse instead of muscle to get the job done . . . Has led Maple Leaf defensemen in scoring three straight seasons . . . Reached a career high last season with 11 goals, 41 assists and 52 points . . . Born Dec. 1, 1946, at Ottawa, Ont. . . . Not a belter or big penalty box man . . . His forte is lugging the puck and out-thinking rival forwards . . . His hard shot finds him stationed on the power play point . . . Has an off-season job importing bicycles.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	2	0	0	0
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	6	1	0	1
1967-68	Toronto M.L.	5	1	0	1
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	7	0	0	0
1969-70	Toronto M.L.	73	11	33	44
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	68	4	26	30
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	76	5	31	36
1972-73	Toronto M.L.	77	11	41	52
	Totals	314	33	131	164

ED JOHNSTON 38 6-0 190 — **Goaltender**

He could write a book about the rise and decline of the Boston Bruins . . . Guarded the Bruin goal cage in the lean years, through the cup-winning years and until last season's first-round playoff defeat . . . Maple Leafs got him after he had fallen into disfavor with Boston management in exchange for Jacques Plante . . . Born Nov. 24, 1935, at Montreal, Que. . . . An old-pro goalie whose reflexes still are sharp . . . At his best in pressure games . . . Highest-scoring active goaltender with 10 career assists.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1962-63	Boston	48-2/3	196	1	4.03
1963-64	Boston	70	211	6	3.01
1964-65	Boston	47	163	3	3.47
1965-66	Boston	29	108	1	3.72
1966-67	Boston	31-1/3	116	0	3.70
1967-68	Boston	25-2/3	73	0	2.84
1968-69	Boston	24	74	2	3.08
1969-70	Boston	36-4/5	108	3	2.93
1970-71	Boston	38	96	4	2.52
1971-72	Boston	38	102	2	2.70
1972-73	Boston	42	137	5	3.27
	Totals	430-1/2	1384	27	3.23

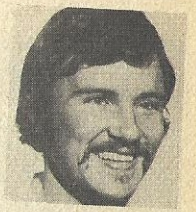
DUNC WILSON 25 5-11 175 — **Goaltender**

Vancouver surrendered him to the Maple Leafs after getting Gary Smith to tend goal in off-season deal with Chicago . . . Started in Philadelphia Flyer organization and was No. 1 goalie in Vancouver for 2 1/2 seasons, often impressive playing for a defensively-weak team . . . Born March 22, 1948, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Delights crowds with a bold style of play in the net . . . Likes to wander from his crease to challenge shooters . . . Scouts say he's better than record reveals.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1969-70	Phila. F.	1	3	0	3.00
1970-71	Vancouver	30	128	0	4.28
1971-72	Vancouver	47-2/3	173	1	3.61
1972-73	Vancouver	40-1/3	159	1	3.94
	Totals	119	463	2	3.98

MIKE PELYK 26 6-0 195 — **Defenseman**

Showed signs last season of reaching potential expected of him . . . Maple Leafs hope this will be the year he comes into his own . . . A hard-hitter who likes to use his muscle, he has been hampered by injuries in three of his six seasons in Toronto . . . Born Sept. 29, 1947, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Led Maple Leafs with 113 penalty minutes last season.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Toronto M.L.	24	0	3	3
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	65	3	9	12
1969-70	Toronto M.L.	36	1	3	4
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	73	5	21	26
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	46	1	4	5
1972-73	Toronto M.L.	72	3	16	19
	Totals	316	13	56	69

DOUG FAVELL 27 5-10 175 — **Goaltender**

Mod, glib, popular Flyer whose goaltending accounted for 20 of his team's 37 wins last season . . . Has posted 2.66, 2.80 and 2.83 averages the last three seasons . . . Credits rival goaltender Gerry Cheevers of WHA Cleveland Crusaders for improving his ability to cover the shooting angles by giving him an off-season tip . . . Born April 5, 1945, at St. Catharines, Ont. . . . Was inconsistent early in his career, but now has developed into one of the league's most proficient net-minders.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1967-68	Philadelphia F.	37	83	4	2.24
1968-69	Philadelphia F.	20	71	1	3.55
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	13-2/3	43	1	3.15
1970-71	Philadelphia F.	40-2/3	108	2	2.66
1971-72	Philadelphia F.	50	140	5	2.80
1972-73	Philadelphia F.	40-1/3	114	3	2.83
	Totals	201-2/3	559	16	2.78

COACH: (At press time, still to be named.)

ALL-TIME MAPLE LEAF LEADERS

GOALS: Frank Mahovlich, 48, 1960-61
ASSISTS: Norm Ullman, 51, 1970-71
POINTS: Norm Ullman, 85, 1970-71
SHUTOUTS: Harry Lumley, 13, 1953-54

VANCOUVER CANUCKS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: Cyrus H. McLean; Pres.: Thomas K. Scallen; V.P.: Lyman D. Walters; V.P.: Norman "Bud" Poile; Pub. Rel.: Greg Douglas; Gen. Mgr.: Hal Laycoe; Coach: Bill McCreary. Home ice: Pacific Coliseum (15,569; 200′ x 85′). Colors: Blue, green, and white. Training camp: Medicine Hat, Alta.

Bobby Schmautz (8) scored 38 goals, but none here.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: The Canucks, who had three choices among the first 19 players to be picked in the amateur draft, took two high-scoring right wingers. They figure Dennis Ververgaert is probably the best all-around offensive forward coming out of the junior ranks. He can shoot from anywhere, handle the puck and handle himself in the rough going.

The other forward, Paulin Bordeleau, is one of those little guys the Canucks seem to have too many of. The right winger from the Memorial Cup champion Toronto Marlboros is a spectacular performer, but he's only 5-9 and 155 pounds.

Before he was sacked as coach, Vic Stasiuk said the

CANUCKS ROSTER												
No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
21	Dave Balon	LW	5-11	175	8-2-38/Wakaw, Sask.	Vancouver	3	2	5	22
22	Greg Boddy	D	6-2	200	3-19-47/Ponoka, Alta.	Vancouver	3	11	14	70
	Larry Bolonchuk	D	5-10	185	2-26-52/Winnipeg, Man.	Vancouver	0	0	0	6
						Seattle	2	9	11	97
7	Paulin Bordeleau	C	5-9	160	1-29-53/Noranda, Que.	Toronto (OHA)	54	43	97	26
	Andre Boudrias	C	5-8	165	9-19-43/Montreal, Que.	Vancouver	30	40	70	24
	Bob Dailey	D	6-5	215	9-3-53/Toronto, Ont.	Toronto (OHA)	9	55	64	200
	Dave Dunn	D	6-2	200	8-19-48/Moosomin, Sask.	Seattle	19	56	75	147
2	Josh Guevremont	D	6-2	187	3-1-51/Montreal, Que.	Vancouver	16	26	42	46
	Murray Heatley	RW	5-8	180	11-7-48/Calgary, Alta.	Phoenix	43	55	98	62
	Ron Homeniuke	RW	5-10	180	1-5-52/Hazelton, B.C.	Seattle	13	24	37	46
6	Dennis Kearns	D	5-8	182	9-27-45/Kingston, Ont.	Vancouver	4	33	37	51
	Jerry Korab	LW D	6-3	215	9-15-48/Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	Chicago	12	15	27	94
	Orland Kurtenbach	C	6-2	195	9-7-36/Cudworth, Sask.	Vancouver	9	19	28	38
20	Bobby Lalonde	RW	5-5	150	3-27-51/Montreal, Que.	Vancouver	20	27	47	32
19	Richard Lemieux	C	5-8	150	4-19-51/Temiscamingue South, Que.	Vancouver	17	35	52	41
10	Don Lever	LW	5-11	175	11-14-52/South Porcupine, Ont.	Vancouver	12	26	38	49
11	Wayne Maki	LW	5-11	185	11-10-44/Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	Vancouver	3	10	13	6
	Jim Mair	D	5-9	198	5-15-46/Schumacher, Ont.	Isl. Vancouver	3	11	14	49
	Larry McIntyre	D	6-1	190	7-13-49/Moose Jaw Sask.	Toronto	0	3	3	26
						Tulsa	0	8	8	20
26	Bryan McSheffrey	RW	6-2	200	9-25-52/Eston, Sask.	Vancouver	4	4	8	10
						Seattle	27	22	49	24
23	Gerry O'Flaherty	RW	5-10	173	8-31-50/Pittsburgh, Pa.	Vancouver	13	17	30	29
8	Bobby Schmautz	RW	5-9	155	3-28-45/Saskatoon, Sask.	Vancouver	38	33	71	137
	Paul Sheard	RW	5-10	186	—	Ottawa	47	60	107	86
16	Don Tannahill	LW	5-11	178	2-21-49/Penetang, Que.	Vancouver	22	21	43	21
	Dennis Ververgaert	RW	6-1	185	3-30-53/	London	58	89	147	86
12	Barry Wilcox	RW	6-1	190	4-23-48/New Westminster, B.C.	Vancouver	3	2	5	15
						Seattle	19	22	41	38
4	Barry Wilkins	D	5-11	180	2-28-47/Toronto, Ont.	Vancouver	11	17	28	133
14	John Wright	C	5-11	175	11-9-48/Toronto, Ont.	Vancouver	10	27	37	32
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
30	Bruce Bullock	G	5-7	160	5-9-49/Toronto, Ont.	Seattle	13	45	1	3.60
						Vancouver	14	67	0	4.79
	Jacques Caron	G	6-2	185	4-21-40/Noranda, Que.	St. Louis	30	92	1	3.53
30	Ed Dyck	G	5-11½	160	10-29-50/Warman, Sask.	Vancouver	25	98	1	4.53
						Seattle	13	50	0	4.86
	Dave McLelland	G	5-9	165	10-20-52/Brandon, Man.	Vancouver	2	10	0	5.00
						Seattle	6	11	0	4.68
	Gary Smith	G	6-4	215	2-4-44/Ottawa, Ont.	Des Moines	2	13	0	9.28
						Chicago	23	79	0	3.54

Canucks needed muscle. Jerry Korab, obtained from Chicago in the Dale Tallon deal, should supply some.

Stasiuk didn't have many good things to say about the Vancouver club, but while he still was wondering what would happen to him, he praised little Bobby Lalonde as "one of our more complete players" and said of Don Lever, "He's a big future plus no matter what position he plays."

Veteran Orland Kurtenbach is always an asset, but otherwise . . .

DEFENSE: Defenseman Dale Tallon, who almost demanded to be traded, was sent to Chicago, and goalie Dunc Wilson, who had his own tiffs with management, is gone to Toronto. Both have plenty of talent and probably will use it more for their new employers than they did for Vancouver.

Larry McIntyre, who played in 41 games at defense for the Maple Leafs, was obtained in the Wilson deal. Bob Dailey, a blockbuster of a defenseman from the Toronto Marlboros, was the Canucks' second choice in the amateur draft, the eighth player to go. He's 6-5 and 210 pounds and faster than you would think.

The three regular defensemen back from last season—Josh Guevremont, Barry Wilkins and Dennis Kearns—were doing a good job in the latter stages. Guevremont still is considered to have great potential.

The major acquisition in off-season trades was goalie Gary Smith from Chicago. The 6-4 netminder didn't play much behind Tony Esposito last season, only 23 games for a 3.54 average, but he has shown considerable promise in the past.

OUTLOOK: The Vancouver fans are getting a little impatient waiting for their club to develop. When the administrative end gets straightened out, maybe the playing end will, too.

If Gary Smith has a good year, perhaps the Canucks will play up to their potential and give new coach Bill McCreary the good year that eluded his predecessors, Stasiuk and Hal Laycoe.

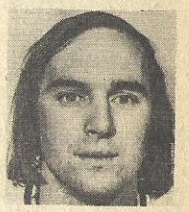
CANUCK PROFILES

DON TANNAHILL 24 5-11 178 **Forward**

The Bruins gambled and let him slip away in the 1972 intra-league draft . . . Canuck officials believe he'll develop into a star quality left wing . . . He showed that trait last

season, his first in the NHL, with 22 goals . . . Broke into pro hockey with 27 and 30-goal seasons and would have had more his first year if not for breaking his knee-cap . . . Born Feb. 21, 1949, at Penetang, Ont. . . . Bruins made him their No. 1 amateur draft pick in 1969 after he scored 48 goals as a junior in Niagara Falls.

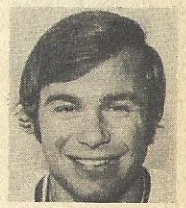
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Vancouver	78	22	21	43



BOBBY LALONDE 22 5-5 155 **Forward**

Laughs off the fact that he is the smallest player in the NHL . . . "All the big guys kid me but while they're doing it, I'm going around them with the puck," he jokes . . . Became a 20-goal scorer in his first full season in the NHL and former coach Vic Stasiuk compared his moves, skating ability, shot and determination to Russian star Valary Kharlamov . . . Born March 27, 1951, at Montreal, Que. . . . Doesn't back down from big guys and last year challenged the Rangers' tough Steve Vickers to a fight.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Vancouver	27	1	5	6
1972-73	Vancouver	77	20	27	47
	Totals	104	21	32	53



RICHARD LEMIEUX 22 5-7 165 **Forward**

"He makes things happen," says general manager Hal Laycoe . . . Smallish center scoots over the ice as though he were a waterbug on a pond . . . Very quick and has a knack of being at the right place at the right time . . . His linemates often have trouble keeping up with him in games and workouts . . . Born April 19, 1951, at Temiscaminque, Que. . . . A 17-goal scorer last season . . . Scout Peanuts

O'Flaherty gambled by advising Canucks to sign him although he'd played only 15 games as an amateur.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Vancouver	42	7	9	16
1972-73	Vancouver	78	17	35	52
	Totals	120	24	44	68

GARY SMITH 28 6-4 220 **Goaltender**

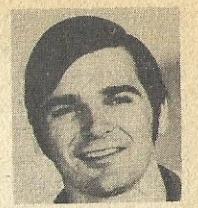
This may be the year he reaches full potential . . . Canucks got him in trade last spring . . . One of the biggest goalies in the NHL who played three years with weak California Seals and was backup man two seasons to Chicago's Tony Esposito . . . Born Feb. 4, 1944, at Ottawa, Ont. . . . Son of former NHL player Des Smith . . . Shared Vezina Trophy in 1971-72 with Esposito . . . Stand-up goaltender who clears rebounds well . . . Once skated to red line in a game against the Rangers and barely missed scoring a goal into an empty net.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	3	7	0	2.50
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	2	7	0	3.50
1967-68	Oakland	18-3/4	60	1	3.25
1968-69	Oakland	50	148	4	2.96
1969-70	Oakland	62	195	2	3.11
1970-71	California	66-1/3	256	2	3.86
1971-72	Chicago	25-2/3	62	5	2.41
1972-73	Chicago	22-1/3	79	0	3.54
	Totals	251	814	14	3.28

JERRY KORAB 25 6-2 215 **Defenseman**

Joined Canucks in off-season trade from Chicago involving goalie Dunc Wilson . . . New coach Bill McCreary expects big things from him . . . "He'll give us the size and muscle we need," says McCreary . . . "We can also use him at left wing a lot, too" . . . Born Sept. 15, 1948, at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. . . . An intimidator who scored 12 goals as a Chicago forward last season . . . Big, friendly guy nicknamed King Kong by Chicago teammates because of a toy gorilla he kept in his dressing room cubicle.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Chicago	46	4	14	18
1971-72	Chicago	73	9	5	14
1972-73	Chicago	77	12	15	27
	Totals	196	25	34	59



JOCELYN GUEVREMONT 22 6-2 195 **Defenseman**

Teammates call him Big Josh . . . Outstanding young two-way defenseman who does the job well when his team is defending its goal or on the attack . . . "He's one of the best young defensemen I've seen in years," says former Montreal tough guy John Ferguson . . . Born March 1, 1951, at Montreal, Que. . . . Was named to play with Team Canada against Russia last year . . . Heady player who seldom is caught out of position . . . Has one of the hardest shots in the league and has produced 29 goals in his first two NHL seasons.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Vancouver	75	13	38	51
1972-73	Vancouver	78	16	26	42
	Totals	153	29	64	93

BOBBY SCHMAUTZ 28 5-9 155 **Forward**

A pleasant surprise last season . . . Scored 38 goals and 71 points to establish Canuck records . . . Quite an improvement over his 12 goals in 1971-72 . . . "It's a funny thing," says Schmautz, "but I can't really discover a reason why things worked out so well for me." . . . Saw brief service with Chicago and faded back into minor leagues before joining Canucks . . . Born March 28, 1945, at Saskatoon, Sask. . . . Former Boston coach Tom Johnson named him to the East All-Star team last season after watching him score four goals in one game.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Chicago	13	3	2	5
1968-69	Chicago	63	9	7	16
1970-71	Vancouver	26	5	5	10
1971-72	Vancouver	60	12	13	25
1972-73	Vancouver	77	38	33	71
	Totals	239	67	60	127

ANDRE BOUDRIAS 30 5-8 165 **Forward**

Resembles a Buck Rogers character the way he zips around the ice in his snug helmet . . . Small but elusive center who has tricky moves, a deceptive shot and good checking ability . . . An opportunist who turns numerous rebounds, steals and loose pucks into goals in scrambles around the crease . . . Born Sept. 19, 1943, at Montreal, Que. . . . Has put together 25, 27 and 30-goal seasons since joining Canucks in 1970 . . . His nickname of Super Pest was turned into a song by a Vancouver disk-jockey.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1963-64	Montreal C.	4	1	4	5
1964-65	Montreal C.	1	0	0	0
1966-67	Montreal C.	2	0	1	1
1967-68	Minnesota	74	18	35	53
1968-69	Minn.-Chgo	73	8	19	27
1969-70	St. Louis B.	50	3	14	17
1970-71	Vancouver	77	25	41	66
1971-72	Vancouver	78	27	34	61
1972-73	Vancouver	77	30	40	70
	Totals	436	112	188	300

BARRY WILKINS 26 6-0 190 **Defenseman**

Injuries and ailments? . . . The sturdy defenseman had his share in the 1971-72 season . . . He missed 33 games with gall stones, a broken jaw, a separated shoulder and damaged teeth and gums . . . Last season he was the picture of health and scored 11 goals as a hard-hitting, hard-shooting defenseman . . . Born Feb. 28, 1947, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Came up through the Bruins' system . . . Favors a bruising style of play that results in many penalties . . . Achieved the honor of scoring Vancouver's first goal in Canucks' NHL debut in 1970.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1966-67	Boston	1	0	0	0
1968-69	Boston	1	1	0	1
1969-70	Boston	6	0	0	0
1970-71	Vancouver	70	5	18	23
1971-72	Vancouver	45	2	5	7
1972-73	Vancouver	76	11	17	28
	Totals	199	19	40	59

ORLAND KURTENBACH 37 6-2 195 **Forward**

Hard-luck guy whose career has been marred by back and knee injuries . . . Got off to a fast start last year before injuries slowed him down . . . Hailed by all teams for which he's played as a high-type person and superb team man . . . Born Sept. 7, 1936, at Cudworth, Sask. . . . Solid two-way center . . . Doesn't like to fight but has a long record of whipping tough rivals with his quick fists . . . Strong, silent type who fits the stereotype of the Canadian Royal Mounted policeman.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1960-61	New York R.	10	0	6	6
1961-62	Boston	8	0	0	0
1963-64	Boston	70	12	25	37
1964-65	Boston	64	6	20	26
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	70	9	6	15
1966-67	New York R.	60	11	25	36
1967-68	New York R.	73	15	20	35
1968-69	New York R.	2	0	0	0
1969-70	New York R.	53	4	10	14
1970-71	Vancouver	52	21	32	53
1971-72	Vancouver	78	24	37	61
1972-73	Vancouver	47	9	19	28
	Totals	587	111	200	311

COACH BILL McCREARY: Named successor to Vic Stasiuk as coach at June NHL meetings in Montreal . . . Management officials believe they found a bright, innovative young man who can create an atmosphere of harmony and a positive attitude among the players who were unhappy last season . . . Born Dec. 2, 1934, at Sundridge, Ont. . . . Was an NHL forward from 1953 to 1970 with the Rangers, Red Wings, Canadiens and Blues . . . Joins Canucks after serving as a coach, management executive and developer of computer scouting program employed by the Blues.

ALL-TIME CANUCK LEADERS

GOALS: Bobby Schmautz, 38, 1972-73
ASSISTS: Andre Boudrias, 41, 1970-71
POINTS: Bobby Schmautz, 71, 1972-73
SHUTOUTS: Dunc Wilson, 1, 1971-72

NEW YORK ISLANDERS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Roy Boe; V.P.: William M. Skehan; V.P.: Michael W. Manzer; V.P.: James Quinn; V.P. and Gen. Mgr.: William A. Torrey; Pub. Rel.: Hawley T. Chester III; Coach: Al Arbour. Home ice: Nassau Coliseum (14,665; 200′ x 85′). Colors: White, blue, and orange.

Goalie Billy Smith was extended in Islanders' first year.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Early in their first NHL season, the New York Islanders were probably as pathetic a team as ever played in the league.

In about the last six weeks, however, when veteran Eddie Westfall had recovered from various ailments and young Billy Harris had gained confidence, the Islanders were a respectable outfit.

Among many other things, the Islanders lacked a leader at the start. Westfall is not the "follow me, we'll show these guys" type. But by season's end he was leading by example and Harris, with a little help from his fellow forwards, was

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putting the puck into the net in the style of his junior days with the Toronto Marlboros the season before.

Harris, scoring leader with 50 points; Westfall, and Craig Cameron give new coach Al Arbour a more-than-adequate right side. Brian Spencer, Germain Gagnon and maybe Ernie Hicke are all right on the left but center is weak, with Dave Hudson probably the best.

The Islanders will have to come up with better scoring balance. Harris had 28 goals. Next best was Cameron with 19, while Westfall had 15.

DEFENSE: The Islanders expect Denis Potvin, the almost unanimous choice as the best junior to come out of Canada this year, to bolster their porous defense.

Potvin was the fifth-ranking scorer in OHA major play with 35 goals and 88 assists, not bad for a defenseman; best ever, in fact, for that league. He broke Bobby Orr's record by 29 points.

Says the Islanders' general manager, Bill Torrey: "Denis has the tremendous strength to make the key play all by himself. What will make him most valuable to our team is his ability to move the puck out of our defensive zone and up to the forwards."

Arbour feels he has two other defensemen of big league caliber in Potvin's older brother, Jean, obtained from Philadelphia in a late-season trade, and in Bert Marshall, taken from the Rangers in the intra-league draft. "Marshall gives us the experience we need back there," the new coach points out.

Gerry Desjardins and Billy Smith, who divided the Islanders' goaltending chores, ended up with the worst record in the league, but it wasn't their fault. "I think our goaltending is pretty good," says Arbour.

OUTLOOK: Certainly the second year can't be as bad as the first. It's hard to see the new New York club working its way out of the East Division basement but stranger things have happened.

Said Westfall, at season's end, "When I broke in with the Bruins, we had a club just like the Islanders. We had a lot to learn last year but you'd be surprised what a difference a year can make."

Arbour, who had two short terms as coach of the St. Louis Blues, gets the assignment of moving the Islanders up. He replaced Earl Ingarfield, who took over from Phil Goyette midway through the first season.

Lorne Henning seeks elbow room against Sabre Craig Ramsey.

ISLANDER PROFILES

BILLY HARRIS 21 6-2 195 **Forward**

Top selection in 1972 amateur draft who made his debut in pro hockey a successful one . . . After a slow start, husky right wing ended season as the Islanders' leading scorer with 28 goals and 50 points . . . "Put him on a line with a good center and he'll score 50 goals," predicts Atlanta coach Bernie Geoffrion . . . Born Jan. 29, 1952, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Big publicity buildup forced him to play under great pressure . . . Bright, articulate rookie handled pressure well and has the tools to become a star . . . Placed third in Calder Trophy balloting as top rookie.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	New York I.	78	28	22	50

GERRY DESJARDINS 29 5-11 185 **Goaltender**

Sharp-witted fellow whose record last season doesn't reveal how well he played with poor defense protecting him . . . "Most goalies try to keep their goals-against average under 3.00 a game, but I'm trying to keep mine under 4.00," he said in humorous putdown of his sad role as goaltender for a weak team . . . Born July 23, 1944, at Sudbury, Ont. . . . Popular with fans and sports writers . . . Guarded goal cage two seasons in Los Angeles and two in Chicago before joining Islanders . . . Bounced back last season after missing most of previous two campaigns with two broken arms.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1968-69	Los Angeles.	58-1/3	190	4	3.26
1969-70	L.A.-Chicago	47-1/2	167	3	3.52
1970-71	Chicago.....	20-1/3	49	0	2.41
1971-72	Chicago.....	6	21	0	3.50
1972-73	New York I.	41-2/3	195	0	4.69
	Totals.....	173-2/3	622	7	3.58

BILLY SMITH 23 5-10 175 **Goaltender**

The Fighting Goaltender . . . Likes to use his large goalie's stick to rap opposing forwards who skate too close to his crease . . . Battled Rangers's Rod Gilbert last season and accrued 42 penalty minutes in 37 games . . . Born Dec. 12, 1950, at Perth, Ont. . . . Alternated in goal last season with Gerry Desjardins . . . Fierce competitor with a promising future . . . Bombarded by 60 shots last season in a 4-2 loss to Philadelphia in which he made a remarkable 56 saves.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1971-72	Los Angeles.	5	23	0	4.60
1972-73	New York I.	35-1/3	147	0	4.16
	Totals.....	40-1/3	170	0	4.21

BRIAN SPENCER 24 5-11 180 **Forward**

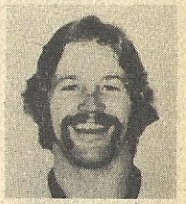
Nicknamed Spinner for his energetic style of play . . . Candid guy who became angered if people poked fun at expansion Islanders' poor record . . . "I don't like losing; in

fact I hate it," he says . . . Popular with fans because of his hustle, aggressive play and ability to hit . . . Complete player at left wing who skates hard both on the attack and defense . . . Born Sept. 3, 1949, at Fort St. James, B.C. . . . Spent parts of three seasons with the Toronto Maple Leafs before the Islanders claimed him in the expansion draft.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Toronto M.L.....	9	0	0	0
1970-71	Toronto M.L.....	50	9	15	24
1971-72	Toronto M.L.....	36	1	5	6
1972-73	New York I.....	78	14	24	38
	Totals.....	173	24	44	68

DENIS POTVIN 20 5-11 197 **Defenseman**

Hailed by scouts as the best amateur defenseman since Bobby Orr . . . Everyone's No. 1 choice in May amateur draft . . . "I feel that within two or three years I'll be able to rank up with Bobby Orr and Brad Park," says the celebrated, high-priced rookie . . . Likes to hit and carry the puck . . . Born Oct. 29, 1953, at Ottawa, Ont. . . . Scored 35 goals, 88 assists, 123 points and logged 232 penalty minutes last season with Ottawa 67s in Ontario Junior A Hockey Association . . . Smart, well-spoken young athlete knows he'll be exposed to extreme pressure but says he can handle it.



ED WESTFALL 33 6-1 197 **Forward**

It wasn't easy for the veteran right wing to break his ties with the Bruins after 11 seasons in Boston . . . "I have nothing against the guys on the Bruins but I didn't care for the way management handled the situation," he says of his expansion draft shift to Long Island . . . Born Sept. 19, 1940, at Belleville, Ont. . . . Provided leadership with young Islander team . . . Played both forward and defense when team was

riddled with injuries . . . Great team player and two-way operator . . . Rated as one of the best penalty-killers in the NHL . . . Has a pilot's license and commutes from his New England home to his Long Island playing base.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1961-62	Boston	63	2	9	11
1962-63	Boston	48	1	11	12
1963-64	Boston	55	1	5	6
1964-65	Boston	68	12	15	27
1965-66	Boston	59	9	21	30
1966-67	Boston	70	12	24	36
1967-68	Boston	73	14	22	36
1968-69	Boston	70	18	24	42
1969-70	Boston	72	14	22	36
1970-71	Boston	78	25	34	59
1971-72	Boston	71	18	26	44
1972-73	New York I.	67	15	31	46
	Totals	794	141	244	385

BILL MACMILLAN 30 5-10 180 **Forward**

Islanders took him in off-season trade from Atlanta . . . "He's a player with all-round ability and we expect a lot from him," says general manager Bill Torrey . . . Scored 22 goals as a Toronto rookie in 1970-71 but his scoring dropped to 10 goals and back problems caused Maple Leafs to expose him in 1972 expansion draft . . . Born March 7, 1943, at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island . . . Solid performer at right wing who likes to mix it up in corners . . . Has a good shot and checks his man effectively . . . Works with crippled children during the off-season.

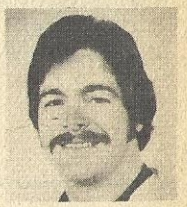
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	76	22	19	41
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	61	10	7	17
1972-73	Atlanta	78	10	15	25
	Totals	215	42	41	83

JEAN POTVIN 24 5-11 188 **Defenseman**

Older brother of rookie Denis Potvin . . . "The big difference between Denny and me is that he does a little more hitting and puck-carrying while I play more as a defensive

defenseman," says Jean . . . Started NHL career in Los Angeles, moved to Philadelphia and joined Islanders late last season . . . Born March 25, 1949, at Ottawa, Ont. . . . Islanders' play improved greatly last year when Potvin joined the team . . . Smooth skater and rusher whom scouts believe could develop into top-grade defenseman.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Los Angeles	4	1	3	4
1971-72	L.A.-Pha. F.	68	5	15	20
1972-73	Pha. F.-NYI	46	3	12	15
	Totals	118	9	30	39



GERMAIN GAGNON 31 6-0 175 **Forward**

"No one knows how great I feel," he said after scoring first NHL goal and assuring himself of a place with Islanders . . . Dark-haired French-Canadian labored nine years in the minor leagues but Montreal never gave him much chance to play in the NHL . . . Born Dec. 9, 1942, at Chicoutimi, Que. . . . Dedicated left wing who played part of a game with a broken ankle last season and scored a goal . . . Strong skater whose minor league record indicates he's always been a scoring threat.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Montreal C.	4	0	0	0
1972-73	New York I.	63	12	29	41
	Totals	67	12	29	41

BERT MARSHALL 30 6-2 195 **Defenseman**

Islanders had a chance to claim Rangers' Bobby Rousseau or Glen Sather in last June's intra-league draft but opted for Marshall . . . "He's the one who can do us the most good; we need a veteran to strengthen our defense," explained general manager Bill Torrey . . . Big defenseman spent six seasons with lowly California Seals and is a smart rear guard who likes to use his muscle and seldom makes mistakes . . . Born Nov. 22, 1943, at Kamloops, B.C. . . . Rangers acquired him in a March 4 trade . . . Likeable guy who inspires teammates with his gung-ho attitude.

MARSHALL continued

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	61	0	19	19
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	57	0	10	10
1967-68	Det. R.W.-Oak.	57	1	9	10
1968-69	Oakland	68	3	15	18
1969-70	Oakland	72	1	15	16
1970-71	California	32	2	6	8
1971-72	California	66	0	14	14
1972-73	Calif.-N.Y.R.	63	2	6	8
	Totals	476	9	94	103

COACH AL ARBOUR: Became Islanders' third coach within less than a year when he left his job as Atlanta super scout to join Long Island team last June . . . Regarded as an effective defenseman in a 19-year pro career which included NHL service with Detroit, Toronto, Chicago and St. Louis . . . One of the few NHL players to wear glasses during games . . . Born Nov. 1, 1932, at Sudbury, Ont. . . . "My most important job this year will be instilling a positive attitude and getting the Islanders to develop a sound defensive game," he says . . . Spent parts of three seasons as St. Louis Blues coach . . . Never has played or coached a team which has failed to make the playoffs.

ALL-TIME ISLANDER LEADERS

GOALS: Billy Harris, 28, 1972-73
ASSISTS: Ed Westfall, 31, 1972-73
POINTS: Billy Harris, 50, 1972-73
SHUTOUTS: none.

CHICAGO BLACK HAWKS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: Arthur M. Wirtz; Pres.: William W. Wirtz; V.P.: Arthur M. Wirtz Jr.; Sec.-Treas.: G.M. Knowles; Gen. Mgr.: Thomas N. Ivan; Dir. of Pub. Rel.: Don Murphy; Chief Scouts: Cecil "Tiny" Thompson, Jim Walker, Jack Davidson; Coach: Billy Reay. Home ice: Chicago Stadium (17,100; 188′ x 85′). Colors: Red, black and white. Training camp: Chicago Stadium.

The defenders: young Phil Russell (5) and vet Bill White.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: The Black Hawks' scoring not only did not fall off with the departure of the one and only Bobby Hull, it actually increased. In the Golden Jet's final season with the Hawks, 1971-72, they scored 256 goals. Last season they hit the twine for 284.

Bobby's brother, Dennis, stepped up his production from 30 goals to 39 as he paced one of the highest-scoring lines in

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No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
14	Ralph Backstrom	C	5-10	170	9 18 37/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	LA Chicago	26	32	58	8
	Mike Baumgartner	D	6 2	195	1 30 49/Roseau, Man.	Dallas	10	37	47	75
23	J.P. Bordeleau	RW	6 1	170	6 13 50/Noranda, Que.	Chicago	15	15	30	6
	Len Frig	D	5 11	190	10-30-50/Lethbridge, Alta.	Dallas	10	22	32	105
10	Dennis Hull	LW	6 0	195	11-19 44/Pt. Anne, Ont.	Chicago	39	51	90	27
4	Doug Jarrett	D	6 3	205	4 22 44/London, Ont.	Chicago	2	11	13	18
20	Cliff Koroll	RW	6 0	185	10-1 46/Canora, Sask.	Chicago	33	24	57	38
17	Dave Kryskow	LW	5 10	175	12-25-51/Edmonton, Alta.	Chicago	1	0	1	0
						Dallas	34	28	62	110
	Mo L'Abbe	RW	5 9	168	8 12 47/Montreal, Que.	Chicago	0	1	1	0
24	Walt Ledingham	C	5 11	180	10-10-50/Weyburn, Sask.	Dallas	28	34	62	18
						Chicago	0	1	1	0
3	Keith Magnuson	D	6 0	185	4 27 47/Saskatoon, Sask.	Dallas	22	31	53	55
16	Chico Maki	C-RW	5 9	170	8-17 39/Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	Chicago	0	19	19	140
11	John Marks	D	6 2	195	3-22 48/Winnipeg, Man.	Chicago	13	19	32	10
7	Pit Martin	C	5 9	165	12-9 43/Noranda, Que.	Chicago	3	10	13	21
21	Stan Mikita	C	5 9	165	5 20 40/Sokolce, Czech.	Chicago	29	61	90	30
	Brian Ogilvie	C	5 11	180	6 30 52/Stettler, Alta.	Chicago	27	56	83	32
						Chicago	1	2	3	4
	Bill Orban	LW	6 0	175	2 20 44/Regina, Sask.	Dallas	17	25	42	64
8	Jim Pappin	RW	6 1	190	9 10 39/Sudbury, Ont.	Portland	8	3	11	18
	Tom Peluso	RW	6 0	200	5-7-52/Grand Rapids, Minn.	Chicago	41	51	92	82
	Bob Peppler	LW	5 10	175	2 12 51/Owen Sound, Ont.	Dallas	13	18	31	58
15	Dick Redmond	LW	5 11	170	8 14 49/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Cal.-Chicago	16	21	37	55
	Darcy Rota	LW	5 11	183	2 16 53/	Edmonton (WCHL)	12	32	44	26
5	Phil Russell	D	6 1	195	7 21 52/Edmonton, Alta.	Chicago	73	56	129	104
	Dale Tallon	C	6 1	200	10 19 50/Noranda, Que.	Vancouver	6	19	25	156
	Reg Thomas	LW	5 10	170	4 21 53/	London	13	24	37	83
2	Bill White	D	6 2	190	8 26 39/Toronto, Ont.	Chicago	52	83	135	41
							9	38	47	80
	Mike Dumas	G	5 9	165	7-8 49/Thetford Mines, Que.		GP	GA	SO	Avg.
35	Tony Esposito	G	5 11	185	4 23 44/Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	Dallas	36	108	1	3 00
	Mike Veisor	G	5 9	158	8-25-52/Toronto, Ont.	Chicago	56	140	4	2 51
						Dallas	36	99	4	2 75

the NHL to 109 goals and 272 points. The center, Pit Martin (outstanding in the Stanley Cup finals), had 29 goals and right winger Jim Pappin had 41.

There's no reason to think that this line won't be as good or even better. Besides Dennis Hull, however, coach Billy Reay doesn't have much at left wing. Jerry Korab, the next best scorer at that position, has been traded away. Dave Kryskow, who came up from Dallas of the Central League, played a regular shift toward the end of the playoffs and shows promise.

The addition of Ralph Backstrom gives Reay a third good center to go with Martin and Stan Mikita and the right side seems in good hands with Pappin, 33-goal scorer Cliff Koroll and steady Chico Maki.

DEFENSE: The acquisition of Dale Tallon from Vancouver, where the versatile young athlete said he was unhappy, plus the showing of Len Frig in the playoffs, strengthened a Chicago defense that already looked more than adequate.

Pat Stapleton, who had his unhappy moments early in the season when he was not playing regularly, came through in the playoffs but then jumped to the WHA Cougars for a lucrative contract as player-coach.

Bill White, Stapleton's deserted partner; Keith Magnuson, who missed the playoffs due to injury; Doug Jarrett and Phil Russell are back from the defense corps that helped the Hawks to the best defensive record in the West Division and fourth best in the entire NHL.

John Marks and Dick Redmond give Reay depth at either forward or defense.

Tony Esposito saw his goals-against average go up from 1.76 to 2.51, but he's still one of the two best goaltenders in the league, whether he looks it or not. His backup man, Gary Smith, is gone, though, and Reay has to hope that either Mike Veisor or Michel Dumas, who starred for Dallas, will be an able replacement.

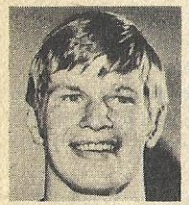
OUTLOOK: The Black Hawks failed again to win that elusive first Stanley Cup for veteran coach Reay and their chances don't seem any better this year, although they appear the best in the West.

They still are having trouble with the top teams in the East Division, and the West teams, once so far behind, are closing the gap. Balance and spirit should keep the Hawks on top of their division again, however.

BLACK HAWK PROFILES

KEITH MAGNUSON 26 6-0 185 **Defenseman**

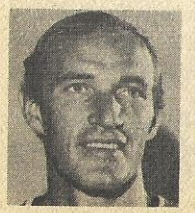
Intense red-haired Black Hawk stirs crowds by charging on ice before games and between periods by lapping slower moving teammates with speed skating . . . "I psyche myself up so high for games, that's how I release my energy," he says . . . Combative player who wins few fights but backs down from no one . . . Led NHL in penalty minutes first two years in league but has eliminated many needless penalties . . . Born April 27, 1947, at Saskatoon, Sask. . . . At Denver University, he liked to stand in front of net and let teammates shoot pucks at him so he could perfect shot-blocking skills . . . Suffered broken jaw in last season's playoffs when shot by Rangers' Brad Park felled him.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Chicago	76	0	24	24
1970-71	Chicago	76	3	20	23
1971-72	Chicago	74	2	19	21
1972-73	Chicago	77	0	19	19
	Totals	303	5	82	87

BILL WHITE 34 6-2 190 **Defenseman**

His size and intelligence make it almost impossible for opposing forwards to fool him . . . Learned his trade well in minor leagues under Hall of Famer Eddie Shore and didn't reach NHL until he was 28 . . . He and defense partner Pat Stapleton form Mutt and Jeff combination which helped stifle Rangers in last season's playoffs . . . Born Aug. 26, 1939, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Outstanding puck-handler whose passes trigger forwards' rushes . . . "Speaking strictly about defense, he's probably the best defenseman in the league," says coach Billy Reay.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Los Angeles	74	11	27	38
1968-69	Los Angeles	75	5	28	33
1969-70	L.A.-Chgo	61	4	16	20
1970-71	Chicago	67	4	21	25
1971-72	Chicago	76	7	22	29
1972-73	Chicago	72	9	38	47
	Totals	425	40	152	192

STAN MIKITA 33 5-9 165 **Forward**

A courageous guy . . . Played brilliantly in playoffs despite painfully injured hand and healing ankle fracture . . . "Seeing him out there playing so well despite being hurt really gave us a lift," said teammate Keith Magnuson . . . Ranks among all-time scoring leaders with 401 goals and 1,074 points . . . Missing 21 games with injuries last season cost him a chance to reach 100-point plateau . . . Swift skater, clever passer, accurate shooter, outstanding checker and penalty-killer . . . Born May 20, 1940, at Sokolce, Czechoslovakia . . . Fifteen-year Hawk veteran and team leader who twice won NHL scoring titles.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1958-59	Chicago	3	0	1	1
1959-60	Chicago	67	8	18	26
1960-61	Chicago	66	19	34	53
1961-62	Chicago	70	25	52	77
1962-63	Chicago	65	31	45	76
1963-64	Chicago	70	39	50	89
1964-65	Chicago	70	28	59	87
1965-66	Chicago	68	30	48	78
1966-67	Chicago	70	35	62	97
1967-68	Chicago	72	40	47	87
1968-69	Chicago	74	30	67	97
1969-70	Chicago	76	39	47	86
1970-71	Chicago	74	24	48	72
1971-72	Chicago	74	26	39	65
1972-73	Chicago	57	27	56	83
	Totals	976	401	673	1074

TONY ESPOSITO 29 5-11 185 **Goaltender**

Worrier who admits goaltending pressures make his hands shake before and after games . . . "Sometimes the pressure gets almost too much to take," he says . . . Not the most graceful shot-stopper but an all-star who beat the Rangers in last season's playoffs with remarkable goaltending . . . Born April 23, 1944, at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. . . . Brother of Bruins' Phil Esposito . . . Had an incredible 1.76 goals-against average in 1971-72 . . . Holds NHL record with 15 shutouts in one

season . . . Shooters claim he has an uncanny ability to anticipate shots.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1968-69	Montreal C.	12-2/3	34	2	2.68
1969-70	Chicago	62-2/3	136	15	2.17
1970-71	Chicago	55-1/3	126	6	2.27
1971-72	Chicago	46-1/3	82	9	1.76
1972-73	Chicago	55-2/3	140	4	2.51
	Totals	232-2/3	518	36	2.23

DALE TALLON 23 6-1 195 **Forward**

Overjoyed by trade last May from Vancouver to Chicago in exchange for goalie Gary Smith and forward Jerry Korab . . . His game suffered with lowly Canucks who switched him back and forth between defense and forward . . . "All the shifting around was not in my best interests and I'll be able to be a better player by staying at one position," he says . . . Black Hawks will use him at center . . . Born Oct. 19, 1950, at Noranda, Que. . . . Has superstar potential and escape from a losing team may help him reach it this season . . . Plays on Canadian pro golf tour during summer.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Vancouver	78	14	42	56
1971-72	Vancouver	69	17	27	44
1972-73	Vancouver	75	13	24	37
	Totals	222	44	93	137

DENNIS HULL 29 6-0 195 **Forward**

Pressure of constant comparison to more celebrated brother decreased last season after Bobby Hull defected from Black Hawks to WHA . . . Scored 39 goals and 90 points and starred in playoffs . . . Muscular left wing is one of most well-liked players in NHL . . . "His shot is as hard, maybe even harder than Bobby Hull's," says former NHL goalie Jacques Plante . . . Swift forward is hard to cover and often breaks behind defense . . . Born Nov. 19, 1944, at Point Anne, Ont. . . . Hard worker who has missed only six games in seven years.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1964-65	Chicago	55	10	4	14
1965-66	Chicago	25	1	5	6
1966-67	Chicago	70	25	17	42
1967-68	Chicago	74	18	15	33
1968-69	Chicago	72	30	34	64
1969-70	Chicago	76	17	35	52
1970-71	Chicago	78	40	26	66
1971-72	Chicago	78	30	39	69
1972-73	Chicago	78	39	51	90
	Totals	606	210	226	436

PIT MARTIN 30 5-8 170 **Forward**

Bright, candid college graduate who seldom gets the acclaim he deserves . . . Fast skater, clever playmaker at center . . . Relentless forechecker who makes as many good plays defensively as offensively . . . Had his best NHL season in 1972-73 with 90 points . . . Can score in close or from long range and is an expert drop-passer whose slick moves often fool defensemen . . . Born Dec. 9, 1943, at Noranda, Que. . . . Sharp dresser whose outspoken ways resulted in dressing room blast at club policies in 1969 and helped institute Hawks' successful defensive game.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1961-62	Detroit R.W.	1	0	1	1
1963-64	Detroit R.W.	50	9	12	21
1964-65	Detroit R.W.	58	8	9	17
1965-66	Det. R.W.-Bos.	51	17	12	29
1966-67	Boston	70	20	22	42
1967-68	Chicago	63	16	19	35
1968-69	Chicago	76	23	38	61
1969-70	Chicago	73	30	33	63
1970-71	Chicago	62	22	33	55
1971-72	Chicago	78	24	51	75
1972-73	Chicago	78	29	61	90
	Totals	660	198	291	489

JIM PAPPIN 34 6-1 190 **Forward**

Developed his value as tireless two-way right wing in Toronto organization . . . Can't be muscled away from net and gets many goals on rebounds and tip-ins . . . Overcame 1970

facial ailment called Bell's Palsy . . . Sometimes tries too hard and is his most severe critic . . . Led Black Hawks to first place in West last season with career high 41 goals and 92 points . . . Born Oct. 10, 1939, at Sudbury, Ont. . . . Member of explosive M.P.H. line with Dennis Hull and Pit Martin.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1963-64	Toronto M.L.	50	11	8	1
1964-65	Toronto M.L.	44	9	9	18
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	7	0	3	
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	64	21	11	
1967-68	Toronto M.L.	58	13	15	28
1968-69	Chicago	75	30	40	70
1969-70	Chicago	66	28	25	53
1970-71	Chicago	58	22	23	45
1971-72	Chicago	64	27	21	48
1972-73	Chicago	76	41	51	92
	Totals	562	201	206	407

Goalie Tony Esposito defends from any position.

PHIL RUSSELL 21 6-0 190 **Defenseman**

Proved you don't have to be a high draft choice to reach the NHL . . . Twelve teams bypassed him in 1972 amateur draft before Black Hawks claimed him . . . Won starting job in his rookie season and by the end of the season had earned a reputation as one of the hardest board-checkers in the NHL . . . Born July 1, 1952, at Edmonton, Alta. . . . Has size and potential to reach stardom . . . "It's much more difficult breaking into the NHL on defense than as a forward," observes coach Billy Reay, who believes Russell deserved rookie-of-year award.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Chicago	76	6	19	25

COACH BILLY REAY: Senior coach in NHL with 10 years' service behind Black Hawk bench and one year as Toronto coach . . . Temperamental but successful and smart strategist who has guided Black Hawks to four straight divisional championships . . . "This had to be my most satisfying one, considering what happened before the season," he says of last season with reference to Bobby Hull's defection to WHA . . . Born Aug. 21, 1918, at Winnipeg, Man. . . . Was player-coach of Quebec Aces at 25 before eight-year NHL career as small but clever center with Montreal and Detroit.

ALL-TIME BLACK HAWK LEADERS

GOALS: Bobby Hull, 58, 1968-69
ASSISTS: Stan Mikita, 67, 1968-69
POINTS: Bobby Hull, 107, 1968-69
SHUTOUTS: Tony Esposito, 15, 1969-70

MINNESOTA NORTH STARS

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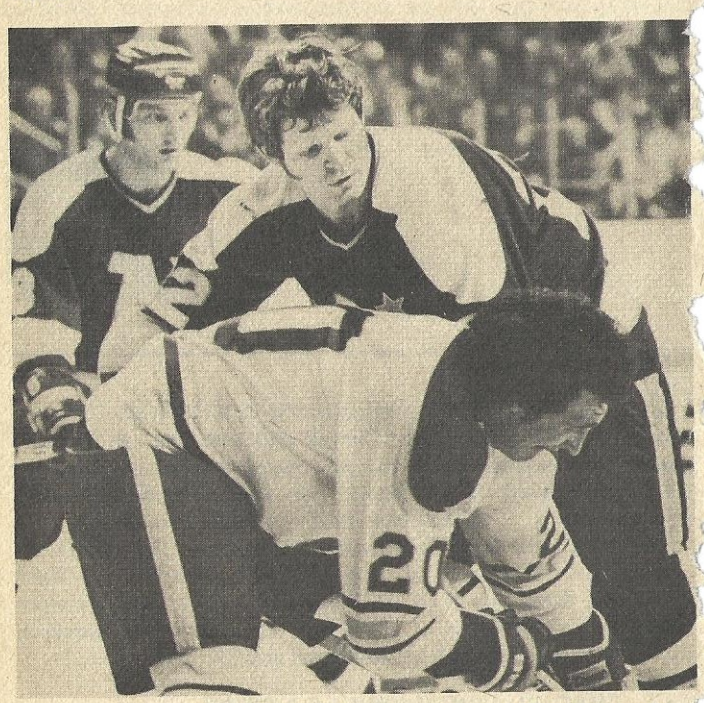


Dennis Hextall and Sabre Don Luce struggle for the puck.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: The problem that has been plaguing Jackie Gordon, back with a two-year contract as coach after rumors he would go to New York to work with his old friend, Emile Francis, should be helped somewhat by the acquisition of Fred Stanfield and Tony Featherstone. The problem: Scoring goals.

The North Stars last season were ninth in the NHL in the

NORTH STARS ROSTER												
No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
	Chris Ahrens	D	6-0	185	7-31-52/San Bernadino, Calif.	Jacksonville	2	17	19	248
	Murray Anderson	D	5-10	180	8-28-49/Dauphin, Man.	Nova Scotia	1	24	25	52
3	Fred Barrett	D	6-0	188	1-26-50/Ottawa, Ont.	Minnesota	2	4	6	21
	Jerry Byers	LW	5-11	170	3-29-52/Kentville, N.S.	Minnesota	0	2	2	6
						Jacksonville	20	17	37	12
	Mike Chernoff	LW	5-9	175	5-13-46/Yorkton, Sask.	Jacksonville	35	33	68	37
	Rick Chinnick	RW	5-11	175	8-15-53/	Peterborough	42	44	86	31
16	Jude Drouin	C	5-9	162	10-28-48/Mont Louis, Que.	Minnesota	27	46	73	61
	Blake Dunlop	C	5-10	170	4-4-53/	Ottawa (OHA)	60	99	159	60
	Tony Featherstone	RW	5-11	187	7-31-49/Toronto, Ont.	Nova Scotia	49	54	103	78
	Gary Gambucci	LW	6-0	185	9-22-46/Virginia, Minn.	Jacksonville	26	50	76	47
	Gary Geldart	D	5-7	160	6-14-51/Moncton, N.B.	Jacksonville	6	32	38	81
	Dennis Giannini	LW	5-9	180	7-13-50/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Jacksonville	24	18	42	103
2	Barry Gibbs	D	5-10	186	9-28-48/Lloydminster, Sask.	Minnesota	10	24	34	54
8	Bill Goldsworthy	RW	6-1	197	8-24-44/Kitchener, Ont.	Minnesota	27	33	60	97
21	Danny Grant	LW	5-10	192	2-21-46/Fredericton, N.B.	Minnesota	32	35	67	12
4	Ted Harris	D	6-2	180	7-18-36/Winnipeg, Man.	Minnesota	7	23	30	83
18	Buster Harvey	RW	6-0	188	4-2-50/Fredericton, N.B.	Minnesota	21	34	55	16
22	Dennis Hextall	C	6-0	176	4-17-43/Winnipeg, Man.	Minnesota	30	52	82	140
	Terry Holbrook	RW	6-0	185	7-11-50/Petoulia, Ont.	Jacksonville	22	21	43	12
						Minnesota	2	3	5	0
	Jim McElmuray	D	6-0	190	10-3-49/St. Paul, Minn.	Minnesota	0	1	1	2
						Jacksonville	4	23	27	20
	Bruce McIntosh	D	6-0	175	3-17-49/St. Paul, Minn.	Minnesota	0	0	0	0
						Saginaw	5	16	21	23
						Jacksonville	1	5	6	4
	Barrie Meissner	LW	5-9	165	7-26-46/Unity, Sask.	Jacksonville	20	25	45	71
23	Lou Nanne	RW	6-0	187	6-2-41/Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	Minnesota	15	20	35	39
	Rod Norrish	LW	5-10	185	11-27-51/Saskatoon, Sask.	Jacksonville	22	33	55	22
5	Dennis O'Brien	D	6-0	190	6-10-49/Port Hope, Ont.	Minnesota	3	11	14	75
10	Murray Oliver	C	5-9	178	11-14-37/Hamilton, Ont.	Minnesota	11	31	42	10
11	J.P. Parise	LW	5-9	175	12-11-41/Smooth Rock Falls, Ont.	Minnesota	27	48	75	96
	Dennis Patterson	D	5-8	175	1-9-50/Peterborough, Ont.	Jacksonville	1	11	12	40
	Billy Plager	D	5-10	175	7-6-45/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Atlanta	2	11	13	92
29	Dean Prentice	LW	5-11	180	10-5-32/Schumacher, Ont.	Minnesota	26	16	42	10
20	Tom Reid	D	6-1	200	6-24-46/Fort Erie, Ont.	Minnesota	1	13	14	50
	John Rogers	RW	5-11	175	4-10-53/	Edmonton(WCHL)	63	41	104	219
	Fred Stanfield	C	5-10	177	5-4-44/Toronto, Ont.	Boston	20	58	78	10
	Steve West	RW	5-8	150	3-20-52/Peterborough, Ont.	Jacksonville	27	42	69	79
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
	Cal Hammond	G	5-8	170	11-25-50/Flin Flon, Man.	Saginaw	40	160	0	4.03
30	Cesare Maniago	G	6-3	195	1-13-39/Trail, B.C.	Minnesota	47	132	5	2.89
	Fern Rivard	G	5-9	185	1-18-46/Grand Mere, Que.	Jacksonville	61	260	2	4.11
	Gump Worsley	G	5-7	180	5-14-29/Montreal, Que.	Minnesota	12	30	0	2.88

goals-for department. Two of their top three scorers were centers—Dennis Hextall, with 30 goals, and Jude Drouin, with 27. Along with Murray Oliver and Stanfield, long a fine playmaker for Boston, they give Gordon strength down the middle.

On the wings the coach has J. P. Parise, who demonstrated in the Team Canada series against Russia that he had been an underrated forward; Bill Goldsworthy, a strong performer, and Danny Grant, who came back from an 18-goal season to lead the club with 32. Fred Harvey and 40-year-old Dean Prentice were the other Stars who scored more than 20 goals.

Featherstone, a 49-goal scorer in the American League for Nova Scotia, is another wingman, and Gordon reportedly will give a long, hard look to others up from the minors.

DEFENSE: The North Stars' defense, figured to be their strong suit, was not quite up to the standard of the year before and thus Gordon's club dropped to a tie with Philadelphia for second in the West Division, placing third as far as the playoffs were concerned.

Ted Harris is coming off his best season as a North Star and young backliners Barry Gibbs, Tom Reid, Fred Barrett and Dennis O'Brien are likely to advance.

With the old Gumper, Lorne Worsley, returning from a brief retirement, the Stars' goaltending should be among the league's best again, even though young Gil Gilbert, who played in 22 games, has departed for Boston in return for Stanfield.

The 43-year-old Worsley was missed, both on and off the ice, when he retired after appearing in 12 games for a 6-2-3 record and a 2.88 goals-against average. He decided to hang up his pads when he couldn't regain his edge after sitting out six weeks following a pulled hamstring muscle.

Cesare Maniago should do his usual steady job with Gump back to spell him. The lanky veteran had five shutouts last season and a 2.89 average.

OUTLOOK: The North Stars, who gave up two veterans in the draft, Doug Mohns and Bob Nevin, will have a hard time nosing Philadelphia out of second place in the West. But, then, if Worsley returns to the form he showed before he was hurt ("best hockey of his life" said general manager Wren Blair) and young blood helps the scoring, Gordon's club might be back challenging Chicago for first.

Stanfield, who had 58 assists for Boston last season, is bound to help the attack, particularly the power play.

NORTH STAR PROFILES

DENNIS HEXTALL 30 6-0 176 — **Forward**

North Stars had high hopes for the tough center they acquired from California in 1971 . . . But knee surgery rendered him useless for virtually the entire 1971-72 season . . . What a difference a year made . . . Was voted North Stars' MVP last season after 30-goal season and leading club in assists (52), points (82) and penalty minutes (140) . . . Born April 17, 1943, at Winnipeg, Man. . . . Brother of Pittsburgh's Bryan Hextall Jr. and son of Hall of Famer and former Ranger star Bryan Hextall Sr. . . . Strong checker and skater.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	New York R.	13	1	4	5
1969-70	Los Angeles	28	5	7	12
1970-71	California	78	21	31	52
1971-72	Minnesota	33	6	10	16
1972-73	Minnesota	78	30	52	82
	Totals	230	63	104	167

J. P. PARISE 32 5-9 175 — **Forward**

Finally received the acclaim he deserved for his determined two-way play for Team Canada against the Russians last year . . . Not big but tough and withstands much punishment in the corners . . . Ranked among best two-way left wings in the NHL . . . Has deceptive skating speed and is an opportunist around the net . . . Last season was his most productive as a scorer in the NHL . . . Born Dec. 11, 1941, at Smooth Rock Falls, Ont. . . . Plays his best under pressure of big games.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Boston	3	0	0	0
1966-67	Boston	18	2	2	4
1967-68	Tor. M.L.-Minn.	44	11	17	28
1968-69	Minnesota	76	22	27	49
1969-70	Minnesota	74	24	48	72
1970-71	Minnesota	73	11	23	34
1971-72	Minnesota	71	19	18	37
1972-73	Minnesota	78	27	48	75
	Totals	437	116	183	299

BARRY GIBBS 25 5-10 185 — **Defenseman**

Up-and-coming young blue-liner whose absence was felt last season when he missed 15 games with injuries after being picked to play in All-Star Game . . . Still showed puck-carrying and shooting skill with 10 goals and 34 points . . . He and Ted Harris form a strong tandem on defense . . . Born Sept. 28, 1948, at Lloydminster, Sask. . . . Spent his formative pro years in Boston minor league system, where he developed an aggressive style of play.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Boston	16	0	0	0
1968-69	Boston	8	0	0	0
1969-70	Minnesota	56	3	13	16
1970-71	Minnesota	68	5	15	20
1971-72	Minnesota	75	4	20	24
1972-73	Minnesota	63	10	24	34
	Totals	286	22	72	94

CESARE MANIAGO 34 6-3 195 — **Goaltender**

Taller half of North Stars' Odd Couple goaltending tandem with Gump Worsley . . . Had unspectacular career in minor leagues and in NHL with Toronto, Montreal and New York before convincing people he was of major league caliber six years ago with North Stars . . . Agile for big man and uses legs well to block shots but has a somewhat unorthodox style . . . Has 22 shutouts in six years in Minnesota . . . Born Jan. 13, 1939, at Trail, B.C. . . . Works well in rotation with Worsley but will carry heavier workload this season.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1960-61	Toronto M.L.	7	18	0	2.57
1962-63	Montreal C.	13-2/3	42	0	3.07
1965-66	New York R.	27	94	2	3.48
1966-67	New York R.	3-2/3	14	0	3.81
1967-68	Minnesota	48	133	6	2.77
1968-69	Minnesota	60	198	1	3.30
1969-70	Minnesota	48-1/6	163	2	3.38
1970-71	Minnesota	39-2/3	107	5	2.69
1971-72	Minnesota	42-1/2	112	3	2.64
1972-73	Minnesota	45-2/3	132	5	2.89
	Totals	335-1/3	1013	24	3.02

JUDE DROUIN 25 5-9 162 — **Forward**

Rising young star who has scored 198 points in first three seasons with North Stars . . . Still hasn't reached his peak . . . Averages almost 50 assists per season, an indication of his playmaking ability . . . Born Oct. 28, 1948, at Mont-Louis, Que. . . . Started in Montreal organization and is a strong skater . . . "The nice thing about him is that we know he's going to get better as he goes along," says coach Jack Gordon.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Montreal C.	9	0	1	1
1969-70	Montreal C.	3	0	0	0
1970-71	Minnesota	75	16	52	68
1971-72	Minnesota	63	13	43	56
1972-73	Minnesota	78	27	46	73
	Totals	228	56	142	198

BILL GOLDSWORTHY 29 6-1 197 — **Forward**

Got into a center ice scrap with Ed Giacomin in New York last season after a jousting and jostling duel by the net . . . "He bumped me so I bumped him back and when he swung at me again I went after him," said Giacomin . . . Made the Goldy Shuffle popular in Minnesota, dancing a jig after scoring goals . . . Big, durable right wing has 30-goal average for last three years . . . Born Aug. 24, 1944, at Kitchener, Ont. . . . Quick moves make him difficult to check . . . "He's always at his best when the chips are down," says coach Jack Gordon.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1964-65	Boston	2	0	0	0
1965-66	Boston	13	3	1	4
1966-67	Boston	18	3	5	8
1967-68	Minnesota	68	14	19	33
1968-69	Minnesota	68	14	10	24
1969-70	Minnesota	75	36	29	65
1970-71	Minnesota	77	34	31	65
1971-72	Minnesota	78	31	31	62
1972-73	Minnesota	75	27	33	60
	Totals	474	162	159	321

GUMP WORSLEY 44 5-7 180 — **Goaltender**

North Stars presented him with a silver goaltending stick in appreciation of his long service after he retired last season . . . A few weeks later team president Walter Bush convinced Gump to come out of retirement . . . He'll enter his 25th season as a pro this year, his 22nd in the NHL . . . Has career goals-against average of 2.89 . . . Witty guy who relaxes by making jokes about some of the poor teams he played with . . . Born May 14, 1929, at Montreal, Que. . . . Only NHL goalie who doesn't wear a mask . . . "My face is my mask," he says.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1952-53	New York R.	50	153	2	3.06
1954-55	New York R.	65	197	4	3.03
1955-56	New York R.	70	203	4	2.90
1956-57	New York R.	68	220	3	3.23
1957-58	New York R.	37	86	4	2.32
1958-59	New York R.	66-1/3	205	2	3.08
1959-60	New York R.	38-1/3	137	0	3.57
1960-61	New York R.	58-2/3	193	1	3.29
1961-62	New York R.	58-2/3	174	2	2.97
1962-63	New York R.	65-1/3	219	2	3.35
1963-64	Montreal C..	7-1/3	22	1	3.00
1964-65	Montreal C..	18	50	1	2.78
1965-66	Montreal C..	48-1/3	114	2	2.36
1966-67	Montreal C..	14-2/3	47	1	3.20
1967-68	Montreal C..	36-5/6	73	6	1.98
1968-69	Montreal C..	28-1/3	64	5	2.26
1969-70	Mont. C.-Minn.	13-11/20	34	1	2.51
1970-71	Minnesota....	22-2/3	57	0	2.49
1971-72	Minnesota....	32	68	2	2.12
1972-73	Minnesota....	10-1/2	30	0	2.88
	Totals.....	809-1/2	2346	43	2.89

FRED STANFIELD 29 5-10 185 — **Forward**

General manager Wren Blair was elated to get him from Bruins in trade last May for goalie Gilles Gilbert . . . North Stars needed help at center and on power play attack and Stanfield should help . . . Smooth skater with playmaking and scoring ability . . . Boston fans never appreciated his skills enough because of Phil Esposito's dynamic play at center . . . Born May 4, 1944, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Outstanding point

man on power plays and is considered to be one of the best passers in the NHL.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1964-65	Chicago	58	7	10	17
1965-66	Chicago	39	2	2	4
1966-67	Chicago	10	1	0	1
1967-68	Boston.....	73	20	44	64
1968-69	Boston.....	71	25	29	54
1969-70	Boston.....	73	23	35	58
1970-71	Boston.....	75	24	52	76
1971-72	Boston.....	78	23	56	79
1972-73	Boston.....	78	20	58	78
	Totals.....	555	145	286	431

TED HARRIS 37 6-2 185 — **Defenseman**

Tall and tough . . . North Stars' captain and dressing room spiritual leader . . . An all-star defenseman who starred six years on Montreal blue line before becoming North Stars' most respected rear guard in 1970-71 . . . A hitter whose style is predicated on intimidating rival forwards and breaking up rushes with hard checks . . . Born July 18, 1936, at Winnipeg, Man. . . . Doesn't take penalties without good reason . . . One of the best fist-fighters in the NHL.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1963-64	Montreal C.	4	0	1	1
1964-65	Montreal C.	68	1	14	15
1965-66	Montreal C.	53	0	13	13
1966-67	Montreal C.	65	2	16	18
1967-68	Montreal C.	67	5	16	21
1968-69	Montreal C.	76	7	18	25
1969-70	Montreal C.	74	3	17	20
1970-71	Minnesota.....	78	2	13	15
1971-72	Minnesota.....	78	2	15	17
1972-73	Minnesota.....	78	7	23	30
	Totals.....	641	29	146	175

DANNY GRANT 27 5-10 190 — **Forward**

Teammates call him Tuna because of his Maritime Provinces background . . . Led North Stars with 32 goals last season after

subpar 1971-72 season . . . Flashy left wing won Calder Trophy as top rookie in 1968-69 and has been a 30-goal scorer in three of five seasons as a North Star . . . Born Feb. 21, 1946, at Fredericton, New Brunswick . . . Good skater with hard shot . . . Not injury prone and has missed only one game in four years.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Montreal C.	1	0	0	0
1967-68	Montreal C.	22	3	4	7
1968-69	Minnesota	75	34	31	65
1969-70	Minnesota	76	29	28	57
1970-71	Minnesota	78	34	23	57
1971-72	Minnesota	78	18	25	43
1972-73	Minnesota	78	32	35	67
	Totals	408	150	146	296

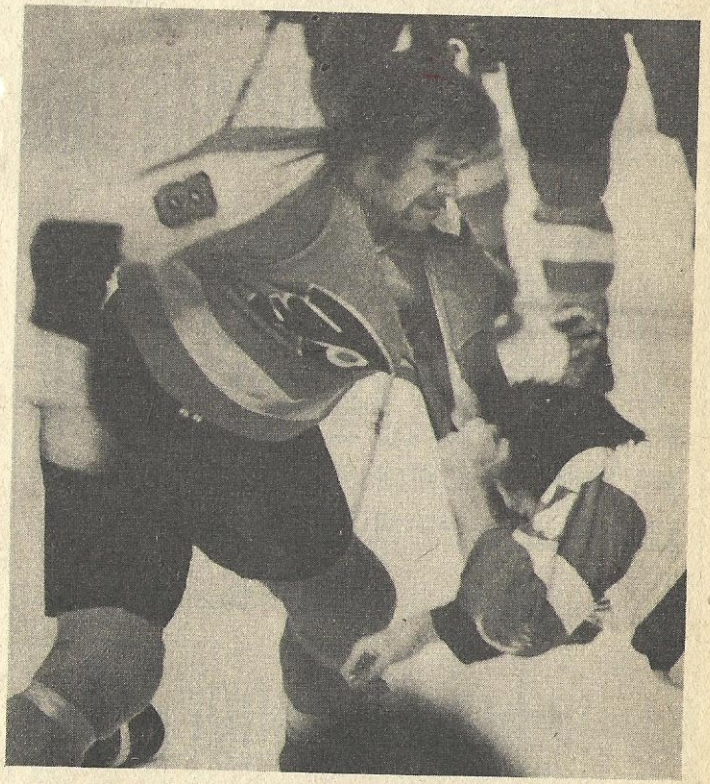
COACH JACK GORDON: Low-key type of coach well-liked by players . . . Always wears a hat behind the bench . . . Did most of his playing with Cleveland in American League after brief trial with Rangers . . . Scored 102 points with Cleveland in 1953-54 when 100-point scorers were rare . . . Born March 3, 1928, at Winnipeg, Man. . . . Won four championships during brilliant coaching career with Cleveland in AHL . . . Served as Ranger assistant general manager briefly . . . Has guided North Stars into playoffs in each of three years as coach.

ALL-TIME NORTH STAR LEADERS

GOALS: Bill Goldsworthy, 36, 1969-70
ASSISTS: Tommy Williams, 52, 1969-70
Jude Drouin, 52, 1970-71
Dennis Hextall, 52, 1972-73
POINTS: Dennis Hextall, 82, 1972-73
SHUTOUTS: Cesare Maniago, 6, 1967-68

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: Edward M. Snider; Vice-Chairman: F. Eugene Dixon Jr.; Pres.: Joseph C. Scott; V.P. and Gen. Mgr.: Keith Allen; V.P.: Louis C. Scheinfeld; Sec.: Earl Foreman; Treas.: Kenneth P. Blackburn; Pub. Rel.: John Brogan; Chief Scout: Alex Davidson; Coach: Freddie Shero. Home ice: The Spectrum (16,600; 200′ x 85′). Colors: Orange, black and white. Training camp: Philadelphia, Pa.



Dave Schultz dished it out and lost his shirt.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Philadelphia forwards came up with distinguished honors at the end of the season. Bobby Clarke was the Hart

FLYERS ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
4	Barry Ashbee	D	5-10	180	7-28-39/Weston, Ont.	Philadelphia	1	17	18	106
7	Bill Barber	LW	6-0	189	7-11-52/Callander, Ont.	Philadelphia	30	34	64	46
						Richmond	9	5	14	4
23	Tom Bladon	D	6-1	190	12-29-52/Edmonton, Alta.	Philadelphia	11	31	42	26
16	Bobby Clarke	C	5-10	176	8-13-49/Flin Flon, Man.	Philadelphia	37	67	104	80
10	Bill Clement	C	6-1	190	12-20-50/Buckingham, Que.	Philadelphia	14	14	28	51
	Bruce Cowick	LW	6-1	200	8-18-51/Victoria, B.C.	San Diego	17	13	30	165
28	Terry Crisp	C	5-7	177	5-28-43/Parry Sound, Ont.	Isl.-Philadelphia	5	21	26	8
12	Gary Dornhoefer	RW	6-2	178	2-2-43/Kitchener, Ont.	Philadelphia	30	49	79	168
	Rene Drolet	RW	5-7	155	11-13-44/Quebec, Que.	Richmond	34	53	87	30
28	Andre Dupont	D	6-1	200	7-27-49/Three Rivers, Que.	St. L.-Philadelphia	4	26	30	215
21	Bill Flett	RW	6-1	207	7-21-43/Vermillion, Alta.	Philadelphia	43	31	74	53
	Larry Goodenough	LW	6-0	190	1-19-53/	London	15	51	66	153
	Larry Keenan	LW	5-10	177	10-1-40/North Bay, Ont.	Richmond	15	18	33	8
9	Bob Kelly	LW	5-10	190	11-25-50/Oakville, Ont.	Philadelphia	10	11	21	236
	Orest Kindrachuk	C	5-10	175	9-14-50/Nanton, Alta.	Philadelphia	0	0	0	0
						Richmond	35	51	86	133
	Serge Lajeunesse	D	5-10	185	5-11-50/Montreal, Que.	Detroit	0	1	1	26
						Virginia	7	16	23	19
18	Ross Lonsberry	LW	5-10	185	2-7-47/Humboldt, Sask.	Philadelphia	21	29	50	59
	Al MacAdam	LW	6-2	189	3-6-52/Charlottetown, PEI	Richmond	19	32	51	42
19	Rick MacLeish	C	5-11	175	1-3-50/Cunningham, Ont.	Philadelphia	50	50	100	69
17	Simon Nolet	RW	5-9	185	11-23-41/St. Odilon, Que.	Philadelphia	16	20	36	6
11	Don Saleski	RW	6-2	198	11-10-49/Moose Jaw, Sask.	Philadelphia	12	9	21	205
	Danny Schock	LW	5-11	190	12-30-48/Terrace Bay, Ont.	Richmond	48	36	84	37
8	Dave Schultz	LW	6-1	186	10-14-49/Waldheim, Sask.	Philadelphia	9	12	21	259
	Frank Spring	RW	6-3	216	10-19-49/Cranbrook, B.C.	Richmond	12	19	31	96
2	Ed Van Impe	D	5-11	195	5-27-40/Saskatoon, Sask.	Philadelphia	1	11	12	76
	Jim Watson	D	5-10	180	8-19-52/Smithers, B.C.	Philadelphia	0	1	1	5
						Richmond	5	33	38	83
14	Joe Watson	D	5-10	180	7-6-43/Smithers, B.C.	Philadelphia	2	24	26	46
	Larry Wright	C	6-1	180	10-8-51/Regina, Sask.	Philadelphia	0	1	1	4
						Richmond	26	25	51	29
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
35	Michel Belhumeur	G	5-10	160	9-2-49/Sorel, Que.	Richmond	12	49	0	4.38
						Philadelphia	23	60	0	3.22
	Roger Kosar	G	6-2	168	4-21-50/High Prairie, Ont.	Richmond	18	73	1	4.13
	Bernie Parent	G	5-10	170	4-3-45/Montreal, Que.	Philadelphia(WHA)	63	220	2	3.61
30	Bob Taylor	G	6-1	180	1-24-45/Calgary, Alta.	Philadelphia	23	78	0	4.09
						Richmond	6	23	0	4.09

Trophy winner as the league's Most Valuable Player and was second all-star team center, Bill Barber was second in the balloting for the Calder Trophy as the Rookie of the Year . . . and Dave Schultz was the most penalized player in the NHL.

Schultz had 259 minutes in the penalty box, which, actually, wasn't much more than fellow forward Bob Kelly's 236. And Don Saleski had 205.

Fred Shero's Flyers are rough up front. That's how they play and that's how they win.

Philadelphia should be up there in the West Division fight again. Clarke demonstrated his class in the Canada-Russia series, continued through the season (104 points, second in the league) and at 24 years of age he has a brilliant future.

Rick MacLeish is a 50-goal man and bearded Bill Flett had 43 so the Flyers don't lack for big scorers. Clarke, Barber and Gary Dornhoefer gave Shero five 30-goals-or-better scorers and the team moved from last in the NHL in scoring to fourth. It should continue to find the net this year.

DEFENSE: The Flyers did not make second place in the West on their defensive ability. Only five clubs in the entire league had a worse goals-against total. The Flyers gave up 256.

Doug Favell, often brilliant, had his off nights. And now he's off to Toronto. Bernie Parent, Philadelphia's No. 1 goalie from 1967 through 1970, is back as No. 1.

Ed Van Impe and Joe Watson, who came to the Flyers in the 1967 expansion draft, do a solid job on defense. Tom Bladon in his rookie season demonstrated offensive ability—11 goals and 31 assists. Andre Dupont, obtained during the season from St. Louis, is a rough customer.

Barry Ashbee and Wayne Hillman are the other returnees. Shero is hoping Serge Lajeunesse, acquired from Detroit, and Larry Goodenough, the Flyers' top choice in the amateur draft, will come through.

If the Flyers can tighten up on defense and keep up their scoring, they will give a lot of teams trouble.

OUTLOOK: Shero, who wasn't pleased with the way some of his team put out in 1971-72, apparently improved their attitude with his "get tough" policy. The way the Flyers came on during the season and in the playoffs, particularly against Montreal, they could become a threat to the West champion Black Hawks if they improve their defense.

FLYER PROFILES

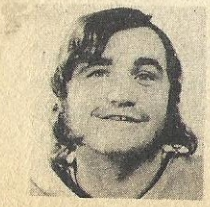
BOBBY CLARKE 24 5-11 185 — **Forward**

Firmly established himself as a genuine superstar last season . . . Won Hart Trophy as MVP . . . Placed second in scoring to Bruins' Phil Esposito with 37 goals and 104 points . . . Brilliant skater, shooter, passer, forechecker and penalty-killer . . . "To me, he's more valuable than Bobby Orr because he can do more things well," says coach Fred Shero . . . Must take insulin daily as a diabetic but claims it's never been a problem . . . Born Aug. 13, 1949, at Flin Flon, Man. . . . Outstanding faceoff man who has missed only one game in four seasons.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	76	15	31	46
1970-71	Philadelphia F.	77	27	36	63
1971-72	Philadelphia F.	78	35	46	81
1972-73	Philadelphia F.	78	37	67	104
	Totals	309	114	180	294

RICK MACLEISH 23 5-11 180 — **Forward**

Product of Boston system who blossomed into sudden stardom with 50-goal, 100-point season last year . . . Credits switch from left wing to center for his increased scoring . . . "He has the strength of the Rangers' Walt Tkaczuk but is a better puck-handler and his finer moves around the net," says coach Fred Shero . . . Mod dresser with a rugged style which makes him popular with Flyer fans . . . Born Jan. 3, 1950, at Cannington, Ont. . . . Led NHL with 21 power play goals . . . Scored four goals and three assists for a seven-point game in a 10-0 conquest of Toronto on March 4, 1973.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Philadelphia F.	26	2	4	6
1971-72	Philadelphia F.	17	1	2	3
1972-73	Philadelphia F.	78	50	50	100
	Totals	121	53	56	109

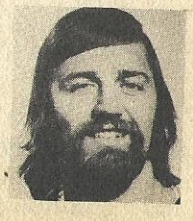
GARY DORNHOEFER 30 6-2 185 — **Forward**

Tough left wing who likes to intimidate rivals . . . Has accumulated more than 100 penalty minutes in three of his six seasons with Flyers . . . His skating ability and checking skill makes him a valuable two-way player . . . Became a 30-goal scorer for the first time in his career last season and his 79 points were the most in his 11 pro seasons . . . Born Feb. 2, 1943, at Kitchener, Ont. . . . Once in golf shot 63 for 18 holes and as an off-season golf pro plans to join Canadian pro tour when his hockey career ends.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1963-64	Boston	32	12	10	22
1964-65	Boston	20	0	1	1
1965-66	Boston	10	0	1	1
1967-68	Philadelphia F.	65	13	30	43
1968-69	Philadelphia F.	60	8	16	24
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	65	26	29	55
1970-71	Philadelphia F.	57	20	20	40
1971-72	Philadelphia F.	75	17	32	49
1972-73	Philadelphia F.	77	30	49	79
	Totals	461	126	188	314

BILL FLETT 30 6-1 207 — **Forward**

Big right wing annoyed establishment types and became folk hero among now-generation fans by becoming hockey's first bearded player . . . New facial hair didn't stop him from increasing his goal production from 18 the previous season to 43 . . . Got his nickname of Cowboy as a Los Angeles Kings' player from fans who discovered he once performed as a rodeo rider . . . Born July 21, 1943, at Vermillion, Alta. . . . Joined Flyers in January, 1972, in seven-player trade between Flyers and Kings . . . Gets many of his goals in clutch situations.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Los Angeles	73	26	20	46
1968-69	Los Angeles	72	24	25	49
1969-70	Los Angeles	69	14	18	32
1970-71	Los Angeles	64	13	24	37
1971-72	L.A.-Phila. F.	76	18	22	40
1972-73	Philadelphia F.	69	43	31	74
	Totals	423	138	140	278

BILL BARBER 21 6-0 190 — **Forward**

Broke into the NHL in a big way . . . Finished second in Calder Trophy voting for Rookie of the Year behind the Rangers' Steve Vickers . . . Flyers believe he should have finished first because he matched Vickers with 30 goals and was the highest-scoring rookie in the NHL with 64 points . . . Born July 11, 1952, at Callender, Ont. . . . Flyers drafted him No. 1 in the 1972 amateur draft following his 105 and 107-point seasons as an amateur . . . Flyers used him at left wing but he also plays center.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Philadelphia F.	69	30	34	64

TOM BLADON 21 6-1 190 — **Defenseman**

Generally overlooked and unappreciated by some because of publicity directed at Bobby Clarke, Bill Barber and Rick MacLeish . . . Established himself as a potential star by winning a regular job on defense and scoring 11 goals and 42 points as a rookie . . . Born Dec. 29, 1952, at Edmonton, Alta. . . . Combined hard-hitting defensive style with his ability to carry the puck and score slap shot goals on power plays . . . Flyers drafted him in the second round of 1972 amateur draft.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Philadelphia F.	78	11	31	42

DAVE SCHULTZ 24 6-1 185 — **Forward**

The embodiment of the Flyers' rough-and-tumble style of play . . . Led the NHL with 259 penalty minutes in his rookie season and had more fights than any player in the league, losing only to Montreal's Pierre Bouchard . . . "I don't deliberately try to start fights but then I don't try to avoid them either," he says . . . Has been involved in numerous brawls in his career and broke his own American League penalty minutes record of 382 with 392 at Richmond in 1971-72 . . . Born Oct. 14, 1949, at Waldheim, Sask.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Philadelphia F.	1	0	0	0
1972-73	Philadelphia F.	76	9	12	21
	Totals	77	9	12	21

ANDRE DUPONT 24 6-1 205 — **Defenseman**

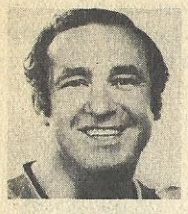
His looks are deceiving . . . Big but gentle-looking French-Canadian smiles easily and wears an innocent look . . . But he's a devastating hitter who strikes out at any opponent who enters his defensive zone . . . Flyers got him from St. Louis last season and he logged 215 penalty minutes . . . Born July 27, 1949, at Trois-Rivieres, Que. . . . Started in Ranger organization and is nicknamed Moose for obvious reasons . . . Next to belting rivals with his body or his stick, he loves to carry the puck and drive slap shots on goal.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	New York R.	7	1	2	3
1971-72	St. Louis B.	60	3	10	13
1972-73	St.L.B-Phila.F.	71	4	26	30
	Totals	138	8	38	46

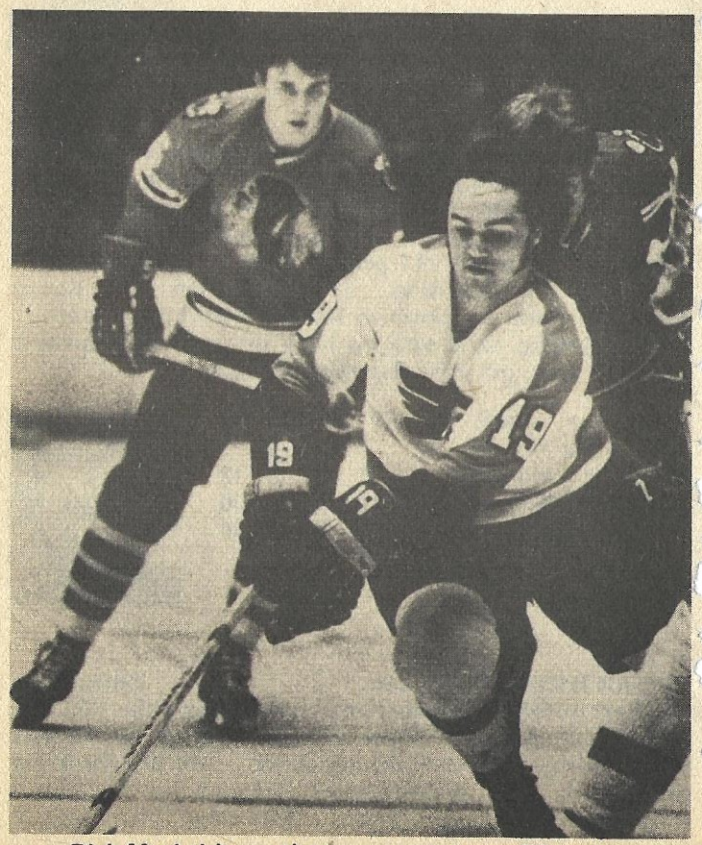
ED VAN IMPE 33 5-10 200 — **Defenseman**

Smart, tough defenseman known throughout the NHL as a jolting bodychecker . . . Likes to take rivals out of the play with a combination shoulder-hip check . . . His hip check last season decked the Rangers' Brad Park and put him out of action with an injured knee . . . Born May 27, 1940, at Saskatoon, Sask. . . . Fearless defenseman who once needed 40

stitches after blocking a shot in his mouth . . . Flyers made him their first pick in 1967 expansion draft.



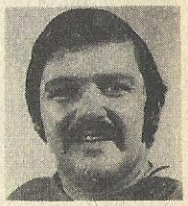
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1966-67	Chicago	61	8	11	19
1967-68	Philadelphia F.	67	4	13	17
1968-69	Philadelphia F.	68	7	12	19
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	65	0	10	10
1970-71	Philadelphia F.	77	0	11	11
1971-72	Philadelphia F.	73	4	9	13
1972-73	Philadelphia F.	72	1	11	12
	Totals	483	24	77	101



Rick MacLeish was the youngest to score 50 goals.

BERNIE PARENT 28 5-10 170 **Goaltender**

Flyers reacquired Parent when he jumped back to the NHL from WHA, where he had played with Philadelphia Blazers . . . Flyer regular for three seasons, then dealt to Toronto in middle of 1970-71 season . . . Compiled 2.56 goals-allowed mark the following year . . . First of NHL big names to go to WHA . . . Blazers had traded WHA rights to New York Raiders after last season . . . Born in Montreal, Que., April 3, 1945 . . . Played junior hockey in Niagara Falls . . . Stand-up goalie.



Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1965-66	Boston	34-2/3	128	1	3.69
1966-67	Boston	17	62	0	3.65
1967-68	Philadelphia F.	37-3/4	93	4	2.46
1968-69	Philadelphia F.	56	151	1	2.70
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	61-1/3	171	3	2.79
1970-71	Pha.F.-Tor.ML	43-2/3	119	3	2.71
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	45-1/3	116	3	2.56
	Totals	295	840	15	2.84
	WHA				
1972-73	Philadelphia B.	63	220	2	3.61

COACH FRED SHERO: Mild-mannered, scholarly-looking coach guided the Flyers to their most prosperous season last year . . . Started his hockey career as a 16-year-old defenseman in the Ranger farm system and later played in the NHL with New York . . . May not look it, but as a youth he was an outstanding boxer . . . Born Oct. 23, 1925, at Winnipeg, Man. . . . His 13-year minor league coaching record, mostly for the Rangers, resulted in six first-place teams and six playoff teams.

ALL-TIME FLYER LEADERS

GOALS: Rick MacLeish, 50, 1972-73
ASSISTS: Bobby Clarke, 67, 1972-73
POINTS: Bobby Clarke, 104, 1972-73
SHUTOUTS: Doug Favell, 5, 1971-72

LOS ANGELES KINGS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman and Pres.: Jack Kent Cooke; V.P., Sec., Treas.: James Lacher; Publicity: John Wolf; Chief Scout: George Maguire; Gen. Mgr: Larry Regan; Coach: Bob Pulford. Home ice: The Forum (16,005; 200′ x 85′). Colors: Forum blue and gold. Training camp: Victoria, B.C.

Goalie Rog Vachon pauses for a moment of reflection.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Only three teams in the entire league scored fewer goals last season than the Kings, who missed the playoffs for the fourth straight year. Even though the feeling was that Jack Kent Cooke's team should have made it this time, Bob Pulford, who moved up from the playing ranks to become the club's sixth coach in six years, escaped the fate of his predecessors. He kept his job.

Pulford, who copied successful football coaches as to

KINGS ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
	Al Beaule	D	6-0	195	4-7-46/St. Romain, Que.	Springfield	7	23	30	72
						Omaha	2	11	13	32
18	Bob Berry	LW	5-11	185	11-29-43/Montreal, Que.	Los Angeles	36	28	64	75
3	Larry Brown	D	6-2	182	4-14-47/Brandon, Man.	Los Angeles	0	7	7	8
	Wayne Chernecki	C	6-1	190	8-12-49/Winnipeg, Man.	Springfield	22	24	46	19
11	Mike Corrigan	RW	5-10	175	1-11-46/Ottawa, Ont.	Los Angeles	37	30	67	146
	Norm Dube	C	5-11	175	9-12-51/Sherbrooke, Que.	Springfield	30	30	60	21
19	Butch Goring	C	5-9	165	10-22-49/St. Boniface, Man.	Los Angeles	28	31	59	2
2	Terry Harper	D	6-1	197	1-27-40/Regina, Sask.	Los Angeles	1	8	9	74
	Phil Hoene	LW	5-9	180	3-15-49/Duluth, Minn.	Springfield	36	44	80	17
						Los Angeles	0	1	1	0
23	Neil Komadoski	D	6-0	195	11-5-51/Winnipeg, Man.	Los Angeles	1	8	9	67
24	Don Kozak	LW	5-11	190	2-2-52/Saskatoon, Sask.	Los Angeles	14	6	20	104
	Wayne LaChance	D	6-1	195	9-4-47/Espanola, Ont.	Springfield	9	34	43	50
7	Real Lemieux	LW	5-11	170	1-3-45/Victoriaville, Que.	Los Angeles	5	10	15	19
16	Bill Lesuk	RW	5-9	185	11-1-46/Weyburn, Sask.	Los Angeles	6	14	20	90
22	Barry Long	D	6-2	210	1-3-49/Red Deer, Alta.	Los Angeles	2	13	15	48
	Dan Maloney	LW	6-2	185	9-24-50/Barrie, Ont.	Chi.-Los Angeles	17	24	41	99
4	Gilles Marotte	D	5-9	205	6-7-45/Montreal, Que.	Los Angeles	6	39	45	70
	Bob Murdoch	D	6-0	190	5-17-47/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Montreal	2	22	24	55
	Bob Nevin	RW	6-0	193	3-18-38/South Porcupine, Ont.	Minnesota	5	13	18	0
	Norm Park	RW	6-1	180	10-4-51/Richmond, B.C.	Springfield	13	20	33	44
12	Jimmy Peters	C	6-2	185	6-20-44/Montreal, Que.	Los Angeles	4	5	9	0
	Randy Rota	RW	5-8	170	8-16-50/Creston, B.C.	Nova Scotia	34	38	72	23
						Montreal	1	1	2	0
14	Frank St. Marseille	C	5-11	170	12-14-39/Levack, Ont.	St. L.-Los Angeles	14	22	36	10
	John Van Horlick	D	6-0	185	2-19-49/Vancouver, B.C.	Portland	1	3	4	98
						Springfield	4	7	11	145
10	Vic Venasky	C	5-11	185	6-3-51/Thunder Bay, Ont.	Los Angeles	15	19	34	10
8	Doug Volmar	RW	6-1	218	1-9-45/Cleveland, Ohio	Los Angeles	4	2	6	16
15	Juha Widing	C	6-1	190	7-4-47/Uleaborg, Fin.	Los Angeles	16	54	70	30
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
1	Gary Edwards	G	5-8	160	10-5-47/Toronto, Ont.	Los Angeles	27	94	1	3.62
30	Rogatien Vachon	G	5-8	160	9-8-45/Palmarolle, Que.	Los Angeles	53	148	4	2.85
	Bob Vroman	G	5-11	160	8-5-48/Bloomington, Minn.	Springfield	26	122	0	4.81

training methods and strategy, did have the Kings in contention for a long spell, and they ended up only three points behind fourth-place St. Louis.

Mike Corrigan and Bob Berry, with 37 and 36, were the club's only 30-goal scorers and only two more, Serge Bernier (since departed for the WHA) and Butch Goring, got more than 20. Juha Widing, the team's top scorer with 70 points, looks great much of the time but sometimes he cultivates ulcers for management.

The Kings added strength up front by acquiring Dan Maloney from Chicago, veteran Bob Nevin from Minnesota and Randy Rota, a 34-goal scorer for Nova Scotia of the American League.

DEFENSE: The addition of Bob Murdoch, who played regularly for Montreal, gives the Kings two defensemen from the Canadiens and that should be some help to a backline that before last season was the worst in the league.

Terry Harper, who went west from Montreal before the 1972-73 campaign, helped the Kings cut down their defensive yield by 50 goals. This didn't make Los Angeles the best in the West by any means, but it was a big improvement.

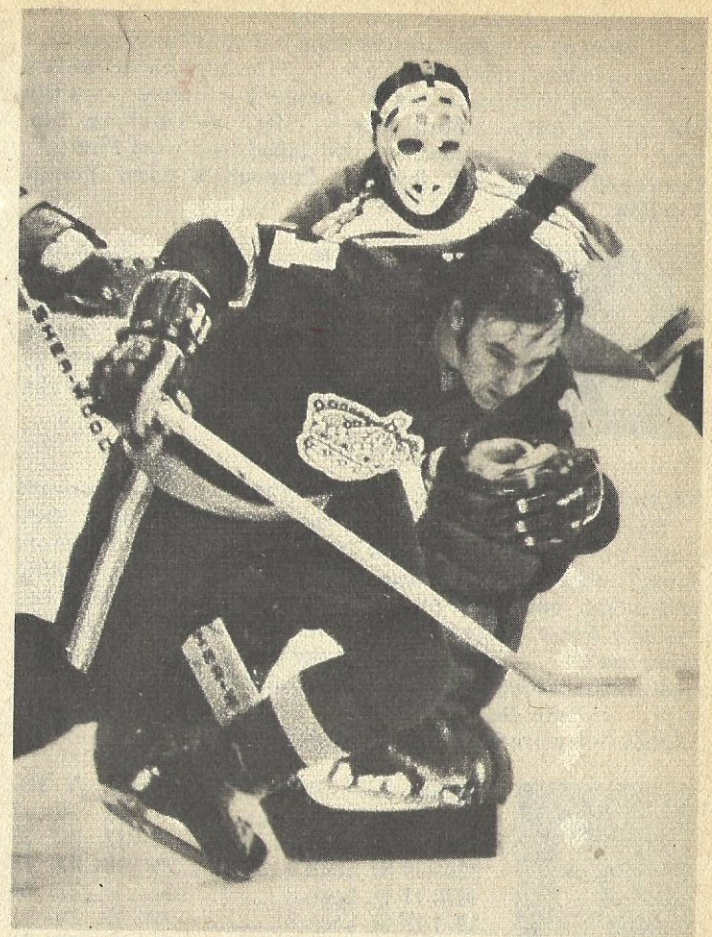
Both Murdoch and Harper are right-hand shots and this gives the club two backliners who shoot from this side for the first time ever. "We needed a right defenseman more than anything," said general manager Larry Regan after the Murdoch deal.

Hard-shooting Gilles Marotte had only six goals last season (compared to 10 the year before) but he had 39 assists, setting a club scoring record for defensemen. Larry Brown, Barry Long and Neil Komadoski, all newcomers last season, round out the defense corps. Harry Howell, now 41, probably is finished.

Rogatien Vachon cut his goals-against average from 4.04 to 2.85, but Gary Edwards went up a bit, from 3.59 to 3.62. They should do the job.

OUTLOOK: There have been rumblings that Regan would be replaced as general manager but he held on again and continued to rebuild his team.

"We feel we need only a few of the right players to move up," Larry said after last season. "We feel we have made great strides." Maybe so, but the hockey fans of L.A. feel it's time the Kings made the playoffs again. Maybe their off-season additions will help.



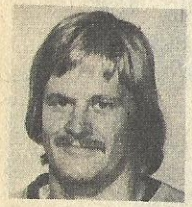
Mike Corrigan set a King scoring record with 37 goals.

KING PROFILES

JUHA WIDING 26 6-1 185 **Forward**

Kings' scoring record-holder with 70 points last season . . . One of the smoothest-skating centers in the NHL . . . Assisted

on 54 goals last season, but goal production slipped from 27 to 16 . . . Started in Ranger organization but didn't check enough to suit defense-minded New York . . . "I've been concentrating on checking ever since and it's made me a more complete player," he says . . . Born July 4, 1947, at Uleaborg, Finland . . . Raised in Sweden but still called the Flying Finn . . . Developed strong legs skiing . . . Pronounces name You-ha Vee-ding.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	N.Y. R.-L.A.	48	7	9	16
1970-71	Los Angeles	78	25	40	65
1971-72	Los Angeles	78	27	28	55
1972-73	Los Angeles	77	16	54	70
	Totals	281	75	131	206

FRANK ST. MARSEILLE 34 5-11 175 **Forward**

Smart veteran center Kings need to complement their youth program . . . Played five full seasons in St. Louis before Blues traded him to Kings last season . . . Never a prolific goal-scorer, but check his assists record . . . Once labeled the "Gordie Howe of the minor leagues" after scoring 124 goals in three seasons . . . "Goals? What's the difference between goals and assists as long as you get a point and your team wins?" he says . . . Born Dec. 14, 1939, at Levack, Ont. . . . Accomplished defensive forward and penalty killer.

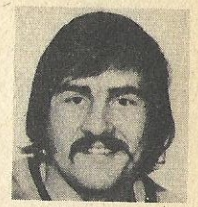
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	St. Louis B.	57	16	16	32
1968-69	St. Louis B.	72	12	26	38
1969-70	St. Louis B.	74	16	43	59
1970-71	St. Louis B.	77	19	32	51
1971-72	St. Louis B.	78	16	36	52
1972-73	St. Louis-L.A.	74	14	22	36
	Totals	432	93	175	268

ROGATIEN VACHON 28 5-7 160 **Goaltender**

Accounted for 22 of Kings' 31 wins in goal last season with 2.85 average and four shutouts . . . Bounced back from crippling knee injury in 1971-72 to convince skeptics he ranks among league's best goalies . . . His first full season in NHL saw him share Vezina Trophy with Gump Worsley in Montreal . . . Born Sept. 8, 1945, at Palmarolle, Que. . . . Excites fans with

spectacular saves in net . . . Mod dresser and glib talker who is popular among young fans.

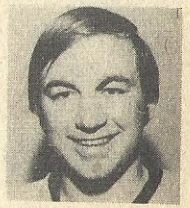
Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1966-67	Montreal C..	19	47	1	2.47
1967-68	Montreal C..	37-1/6	92	4	2.48
1968-69	Montreal C..	34-1/3	98	2	2.85
1969-70	Montreal C..	61-1/2	162	4	2.63
1970-71	Montreal C..	44-2/3	118	2	2.64
1971-72	Mtl.C.-L.A..	26-2/3	111	0	4.14
1972-73	Los Angeles.	52	148	4	2.85
	Totals.....	275-1/3	776	17	2.81



MIKE CORRIGAN 27 5-10 175 **Forward**

An original King draft choice in 1967 expansion . . . Vancouver got him in 1970 expansion draft . . . Returned to Kings in 1971 after disciplinary problem in Vancouver . . . Last season was his best as a pro . . . Scored 37 goals to break Eddie Joyal's club record of 33 . . . Ranked high in league with 14 power play goals . . . Born Jan. 11, 1946, at Ottawa, Ont. . . . Not big but very scrappy . . . Plays right wing and didn't miss a game last season.

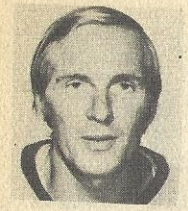
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Los Angeles	5	0	0	0
1969-70	Los Angeles	36	6	4	10
1970-71	Vancouver	76	21	28	49
1971-72	Vanc.-L.A.	75	15	26	41
1972-73	Los Angeles	78	37	30	67
	Totals	260	79	88	167



BOB BERRY 30 6-0 185 **Forward**

Not much he hasn't done . . . Starred as a baseball catcher and had a tryout with Houston Astros . . . Was a star flanker in Canada's United Pro Football League with Quebec Rifles . . . Amateur photographer and stock market wizard . . . Graduate of Montreal's Sir George Williams University . . . Strong left wing scored 14 of his 36 goals on the power play . . . Born June 21, 1943, at Montreal, Que. . . . Started in Montreal

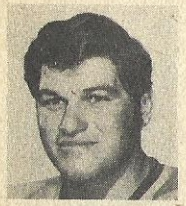
organization and has been a goal-scorer everywhere he's played.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Montreal C.	2	0	0	0
1970-71	Los Angeles	77	25	38	63
1971-72	Los Angeles	78	17	22	39
1972-73	Los Angeles	78	36	28	64
	Totals	235	78	88	166

GILLES MAROTTE 28 5-9 205 — **Defenseman**

Rival forwards don't like to get him angry . . . "He's one guy who really makes you know you've been hit when he hits you," says the Rangers' Rod Gilbert . . . Broad-shouldered defenseman is built like a truck and hits with the force of a Patton Tank . . . Came into his own as a quality defenseman in 1971-72 with Kings . . . Developed in Boston organization and played with Chicago . . . Born June 7, 1945, at Montreal, Que. . . . Pro prospect as a semi-pro catcher . . . A master at taking forwards to the boards or spilling them in the corners . . . Has bullet slap shot and collected career high 39 assists last season.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Boston	51	3	17	20
1966-67	Boston	67	7	8	15
1967-68	Chicago	73	0	21	21
1968-69	Chicago	68	5	29	34
1969-70	Chgo.-L.A.	72	5	19	24
1970-71	Los Angeles	78	6	27	33
1971-72	Los Angeles	72	10	24	34
1972-73	Los Angeles	78	6	39	45
	Totals	559	42	184	226

TERRY HARPER 33 6-1 195 — **Defenseman**

Teamed with Gilles Marotte last season to end Kings' defensive weakness . . . Tough, body-checking rear guard who accumulated more than 800 penalty minutes in 10 years with Montreal Canadiens . . . Team leader with fierce pride and competitive nature . . . One of the best at keeping enemy forwards from camping around the net . . . Born Jan. 27, 1940, at Regina, Sask. . . . Legs were badly burned in childhood accident but he refused to give up hockey . . . "He's one

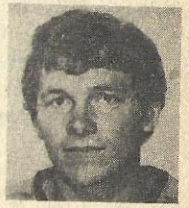
of the last of the old-school hardnosed hockey players," says general manager Larry Regan.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1962-63	Montreal C.	14	1	1	2
1963-64	Montreal C.	70	2	15	17
1964-65	Montreal C.	62	0	7	7
1965-66	Montreal C.	69	1	11	12
1966-67	Montreal C.	56	0	16	16
1967-68	Montreal C.	57	3	8	11
1968-69	Montreal C.	21	0	3	3
1969-70	Montreal C.	75	4	18	22
1970-71	Montreal C.	78	1	21	22
1971-72	Montreal C.	52	2	12	14
1972-73	Los Angeles	77	1	8	9
	Totals	631	15	120	135

VIC VENASKY 22 5-11 185 — **Forward**

Underrated by many teams and not chosen until the third round of 1972 amateur draft . . . Kings are glad they picked him No. 1 . . . Showed great poise for rookie center in pro debut with 15 goals . . . Played collegiate hockey at Denver University and enjoys defensive phase of game . . . Kings often use him to check such tough rivals as Rangers' Jean Ratelle and Bruins' Phil Esposito . . . Born June 3, 1951, at Thunder Bay, Ont. . . . Coach Bob Pulford says he has a bright NHL future.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Los Angeles	77	15	19	34



BUTCH GORING 24 5-9 170 — **Forward**

Makes up for lack of size with fiery play and fast skating . . . Last season was his second straight 20-goal season with Kings . . . Has clever moves as center iceman and gets frequent breakaways . . . Always dangerous with puck around the net . . . His name is Robert but everyone knows him as Butch or Butchie . . . Born Oct. 22, 1949, at St. Boniface, Man. . . . Has played on Kings' speedy line with Bob Berry and

Mike Corrigan . . . Career slowed in 1970-71 by mononucleosis.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Los Angeles	59	13	23	36
1970-71	Los Angeles	19	2	5	7
1971-72	Los Angeles	74	21	29	50
1972-73	Los Angeles	67	28	31	59
	Totals	219	64	88	152

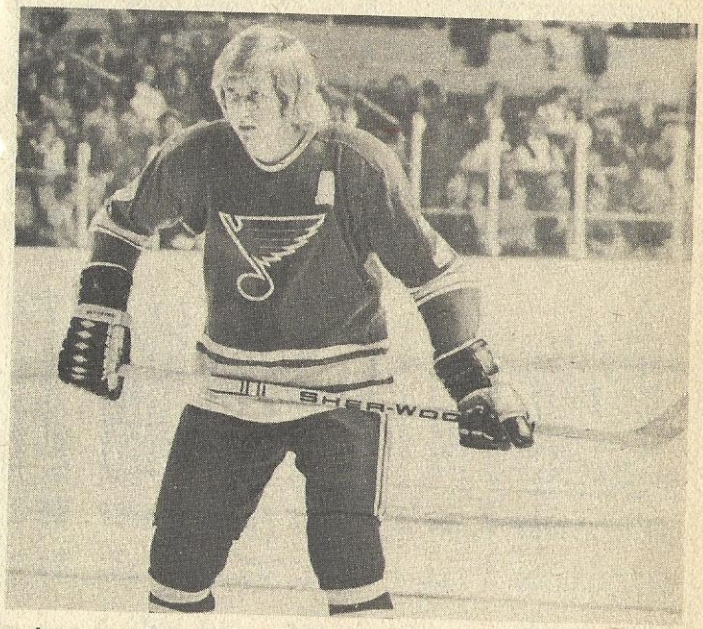
COACH BOB PULFORD: Serious, intense coach who approaches game from a scientific standpoint . . . Sound believer in physical conditioning, statistical evaluation and constant stress on fundamentals . . . Spent 10 days with George Allen in Washington Redskins' training camp before making his debut last season as Kings' coach . . . Adopted Allen's philosophy of discipline, player-coach relations, use of game films and playbooks for players . . . Born March 31, 1936, at Newton Robinson, Ont. . . . Scored 281 goals while spending 14 of 16 years in NHL with Toronto . . . Member of four Maple Leaf Stanley Cup champion teams.

ALL-TIME KING LEADERS

GOALS: Mike Corrigan, 37, 1972-73
ASSISTS: Juha Widing, 54, 1972-73
POINTS: Juha Widing, 70, 1972-73
SHUTOUTS: Gerry Desjardins, 4, 1968-69
Rogatien Vachon, 4, 1972-73

ST. LOUIS BLUES

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: Sidney Salomon, Jr.; Pres.: Sidney Salomon III: V.P.: Lynn Patrick; Dir. of Pub.: Alan Salomon; Gen. Mgr.: Chuck Catto; Coach: Jean-Guy Talbot. Home ice: St. Louis Arena (17,776; 200′ x 85′). Colors: Blue, white, and gold. Training camp: Flint, Mich.



Iron man Garry Unger hasn't missed a game in five years.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: The Blues are the only team in the NHL which never missed the playoffs, but last time they had to come from far back to make it. Then they turned in their poorest performance ever in post-season play.

When Chicago ousted the Blues from the quarter-finals in five games, coach Billy Reay of the Black Hawks explained, "When you stop Garry Unger, you've pretty well stopped the Blues. He scored almost twice as many goals as anyone else on their team in the regular season."

BLUES ROSTER											
No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
	Lou Angotti	C	5-9	170	1-16-38/Toronto, Ont.	Chicago	15	22	37	26
	Don Borgeson	LW	5-11	175	5-20-45/North Battleford, Sask.	Denver	31	41	72	66
	Bob Collyard	C	5-9	170	10-16-49/Hibbing, Minn.	Fort Worth	17	50	67	53
	Michel Cormier	C	5-9	165	12-22-45/Three Rivers, Que.	Fort Worth	35	38	73	24
9	Ab DeMarco	D	6-0	170	2-27-49/Cleveland, Ohio	Rang.–St. Louis	8	22	30	17
	Norm Dennis	RW	5-10	175	12-10-42/Aurora, Ont.	Denver	27	50	77	35
2	Steve Durbano	D	6-1	205	12-12-51/Toronto, Ont.	St. Louis	3	18	21	231
15	Jack Egers	LW	6-1	185	1-28-49/Sudbury, Ont.	St. Louis	24	24	48	26
6	Chris Evans	LW-D	5-9	180	9-14-46/Toronto, Ont.	St. Louis	9	12	21	31
	Bob Gassoff	D	5-11	190	4-17-53/	Medicine Hat	11	51	62	388
23	Jean Hamel	D	5-11	180	6-6-52/Asbestos, Que.	Denver	0	1	1	2
						Denver	0	6	6	22
12	Fran Huck	C	5-7	163	12-4-45/Regina, Sask.	St. Louis	2	7	9	24
3	Brent Hughes	D	6-0	202	6-17-43/Bowmanville, Ont.	St. Louis	16	20	36	20
	Roger Lafreniere	D	6-0	190	7-24-42/Montreal, Que.	Phil.-St. Louis	3	12	15	32
						Denver	9	20	29	100
19	Mike Lampman	C	6-2	195	4-20-50/Lakewood, Calif.	St. Louis	0	0	0	0
						St. Louis	2	3	5	2
25	Connie Madigan	D	5-10	185	10-4-34/Port Arthur, Ont.	Denver	34	19	53	88
						St. Louis	0	3	3	25
20	Wayne Merrick	C	6-1	190	4-23-52/Sarnia, Ont.	Portland	3	26	29	146
						St. Louis	10	11	21	10
22	Danny O'Shea	LW-C	6-1	190	6-15-45/Toronto, Ont.	Denver	6	13	19	6
21	Kevin O'Shea	RW	6-2	200	5-28-47/Toronto, Ont.	St. Louis	12	26	38	30
						St. Louis	2	6	8	31
	Glenn Patrick	D	6-2	190	4-26-50/New York, N.Y.	Denver	11	7	18	29
	George Pesut	D	6-1	205	6-17-53/	Denver	5	21	26	125
8	Barclay Plager	D	5-11	175	3-26-41/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Saskatoon	12	27	39	98
5	Bob Plager	D	5-11	175	3-26-41/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	St. Louis	8	25	33	102
16	Pierre Plante	RW	6-1	180	5-14-51/Valleyfield, Que.	St. Louis	2	31	33	107
						Phil.St. Louis	12	16	28	56
	Jake Rathwell	LW	5-11	185	8-12-47/Temiskaming, Que.	Richmond	9	11	20	56
17	Phil Roberto	RW-LW	6-1	190	1-1-49/Niagara Falls, Ont.	Cincinnati	27	44	71	78
11	Gary Sabourin	RW	5-11	180	12-4-43/Parry Sound, Ont.	St. Louis	20	22	42	99
18	Floyd Thomson	LW	6-0	190	6-14-49/Sudbury, Ont.	St. Louis	21	27	48	30
7	Garry Unger	C	5-11	170	12-7-47/Edmonton, Alta.	St. Louis	14	20	34	71
	Dale Yutsyk	LW	6-1	190	2-9-49/Calgary, Ont.	St. Louis	41	39	80	119
						Denver	4	14	18	28
						Fort Worth	7	7	14	36
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
	John Davidson	G	6-3	185	2-27-53/	Calgary	63	206	2	3.30
31	Bob Johnson	G	6-1	185	11-12-48/Farmington, Mich.	St. Louis	12	26	0	2.68
						Denver	30	91	0	3.44
1	Wayne Stephenson	G	5-9	175	1-29-45/Fort William, Ont.	St. Louis	45	128	1	3.03

True. Unger triggered home 41 goals and no other Blue got as many as 25. Jack Egers, Gary Sabourin and Phil Roberto were the only other 20-goal scorers as the Blues tied for 11th in goal-scoring.

Still, they did make the playoffs after an atrocious start, so Jean-Guy Talbot, who took over as coach during the season, must have had them doing something right. With Talbot back as coach and Chuck Catto in as new general manager, maybe the Blues will have some stability in their top command echelon, for a change.

Such young forwards as Wayne Merrick, Pierre Plante, and Floyd Thomson are going to have to start hitting the target more often.

DEFENSE: The Blues used more defensemen during last season than any other club in the league–11 of them. The Plager brothers, Barclay and Bob, still were the best and should continue to be.

Ab DeMarco, obtained from the Rangers, gives the Blues a good offensive defenseman. Chris Evans plays both forward and on the backline. Steve Durbano is plenty tough but he spends an awful lot of time in the penalty box–231 minutes last season after 405 with Omaha in the Central League the year before.

The Blues' goaltending was more settled in 1972-73 than it had been the year before when they shuttled five men in and out of the nets. Wayne Stephenson and Jacques Caron, up from the minors, handled most of the netminding chores, with 3.53 and 3.03 averages, respectively, and Bob Johnson got in 12 games for 2.68. Caron was lost in the draft.

First choice of St. Louis in the amateur draft was John Davidson, considered the best goaltender in Canadian junior hockey. He could move right in. The Blues hope so; they are paying him very well.

OUTLOOK: The Blues picked up some players during the off-season who could improve the club: Lou Angotti, Chicago's longtime handyman, in the intra-league draft; right winger Jake Rathwell, who had 71 points for Cincinnati's Calder Cup winners, from Buffalo in a trade for defenseman Paul Curtis, and Davidson, who is built like Ken Dryden at 6-3 and 200 pounds.

The Blues were a different team in the final stages of the season than they were in the early going, so Talbot could have them contending in the West all the way this time.

BLUE PROFILES

STEVE DURBANO 22 6-1 200 — **Defenseman**

Plays with an enthusiastic rock-em, sock-em style and likes to fight and brawl . . . Has made strides to curb his quick temper, which has resulted in penalty-minute totals of 371, 324, 402 and 231 the last four seasons . . . Born Dec. 12 1951, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Last season was his first in the NHL and, aside from fighting, he showed skill in passing from his end zone to out-breaking forwards . . . At his best keeping rival forwards from camping in front of the net . . . A product of the Ranger farm system.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	St.Louis B.	49	3	18	21

JACK EGERS 24 6-1 180 — **Forward**

Rangers probably regret trading strong left wing to Blues in 1971 . . . Has one of the hardest, most accurate slap shots in the NHL and goaltenders fear him anytime he gets the puck inside the blue line . . . Versatile enough to play right wing, too . . . Born Jan. 28, 1949, at Sudbury, Ont. . . . Nicknamed Smoky for his blazing shot . . . Blues count on him to become a more productive goal-scorer this season after 21 and 24-goal years with them.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	New York R.	6	3	0	3
1970-71	New York R.	60	7	10	17
1971-72	N.Y.R.-St. L.B.	80	23	26	49
1972-73	St.Louis B.	78	24	24	48
	Totals	224	57	60	117

WAYNE STEPHENSON 27 5-9 175 — **Goaltender**

Lived up to excellent scouting reports by becoming Blues' No. 1 goaltender last season, his first full year in pro hockey . . . Recorded respectable 3.03 average and was in the nets for 18 of the Blues' 32 victories . . . Blues signed him as an amateur in January, 1972, after his play with the Canadian National Team . . . Finished high in rookie-of-the-year balloting . . . Not flashy but strong on goaltending fundamentals . . . Born Jan. 29, 1945, at Fort William, Ont. . . . Shows the potential to develop into a top goaltender.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1971-72	St.Louis B.	1-2/3	9	0	5.40
1972-73	St.Louis B.	42-1/3	128	1	3.03
	Totals	44	137	1	3.12

DANNY O'SHEA 28 6-1 190 — **Forward**

Never played in the minor leagues, starting in NHL with Minnesota, moving to Chicago and becoming a Blue in 1971 . . . Not a big goal-scorer, but played a key role with Blues last season as a defensive forward who can operate at center or left wing . . . Born June 15, 1945, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Does a good job checking opposition's best forwards . . . Skilled at winning faceoffs . . . Brother of Kevin O'Shea, who played last season with the Blues . . . Regained his scoring touch last season with 12 goals, one less than he had scored in the previous two seasons.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Minnesota	74	15	34	49
1969-70	Minnesota	75	10	24	34
1970-71	Minn.-Chic.	77	18	19	37
1971-72	Chic.-St.L.B.	68	9	12	21
1972-73	St.Louis B.	76	12	26	38
	Totals	370	64	115	179

GARRY UNGER 26 5-11 170 — **Forward**

Mod lifestyle and long blond hair makes him a favorite of young fans . . . Detroit general manager Ned Harkness, no fan of long hair, traded him as a 42-goal scorer and he has responded with 36 and 41-goal seasons for Blues . . . Born Dec. 7, 1947, at Edmonton, Alta. . . . Smooth, flashy center with a hard shot who doesn't shy away from rough play . . . One of

pro sport's most eligible bachelors . . . Likes to wear Western clothes and cowboy hat . . . Has played in 405 straight games.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Tor. M.L.-Det. R.W.	28	6	11	1
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	76	24	20	4
1969-70	Detroit R.W.	76	42	24	6
1970-71	Det. R.W.-St.L.B.	79	28	28	5
1971-72	St.Louis B.	78	36	34	70
1972-73	St.Louis B.	78	41	39	[illegible]
	Totals	415	177	156	33[illegible]

GARY SABOURIN 30 5-11 180 — **Forward**

Unappreciated right wing who checks his wing diligently . . . A smart two-way forward who perfected his wrist shot by practicing shots in his backyard during the off-season . . . Matched pro career high with 48 points last season . . . Born Dec. 4, 1943, at Parry Sound, Ont. . . . Career almost ended after he broke a leg at the end of the 1970-71 season . . . Bounced back the next season with 28 goals . . . Six-year Blues' veteran who entered pro ranks in the Ranger farm system.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	St.Louis B.	50	13	10	23
1968-69	St.Louis B.	75	25	23	48
1969-70	St.Louis B.	72	28	14	42
1970-71	St.Louis B.	59	14	17	31
1971-72	St.Louis B.	77	28	17	4[illegible]
1972-73	St.Louis B.	76	21	27	48
	Totals	409	129	108	237

AB DEMARCO 24 6-0 170 — **Defenseman**

"This has got to be my year," laments the son of former NHL forward Ab DeMarco Sr. . . . His four seasons as a pro have been marred by two fractured ankles, a severely cut leg, a bruised kidney and shoulder separation suffered last season . . . Before Rangers traded him to the Blues last season, Garry Unger checked him from behind and injured his kidney . . . Now the two are pals and room together on road trips . . . Doug Jarrett's check damaged his shoulder in Chicago playoffs . . . Born Feb. 27, 1949, at Cleveland, Ohio . . . Smooth skater with an outstanding shot.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	New York R.	3	0	0	0
1970-71	New York R.	2	0	1	1
1971-72	New York R.	48	4	7	11
1972-73	N.Y.R.-St.L. B.	65	8	22	30
	Totals	118	12	30	42

PHIL ROBERTO 23 6-1 190 — **Forward**

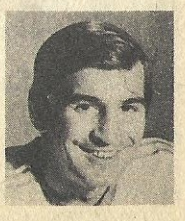
Toughness is his strongest point . . . Likes to fight for puck in the corners and uses his muscle to manhandle rival forwards . . . Product of Montreal Canadien system who reached 20-goal plateau for the first time last season and has the potential to become 30-goal man this season . . . Born Jan. 1, 1949, at Niagara Falls, Ont. . . . Plays well on the road and in the playoffs and gets his shots away as swiftly as any forward in the NHL.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Montreal C.	8	0	1	1
1970-71	Montreal C.	39	14	7	21
1971-72	St.L.B.-Mtl.C.	76	15	15	30
1972-73	St.Louis B.	77	20	22	42
	Totals	200	49	45	94

BARCLAY PLAGER 32 5-11 180 — **Defenseman**

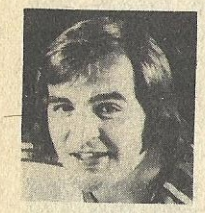
Eldest of the three NHL Plager brothers . . . Bob is a St. Louis teammate and Billy is with Minnesota . . . Fierce competitor with leadership qualities . . . A master of the hip check . . . Loves to rap enemy forwards and has accumulated more than 100 penalty minutes in each of his six years with the Blues . . . Born March 26, 1941, at Kirkland Lake, Ont. . . . Good puck-handler . . . Uses his size to tie up attacking forwards.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	St.Louis B.	49	5	15	20
1968-69	St.Louis B.	61	4	26	30
1969-70	St.Louis B.	75	6	26	32
1970-71	St.Louis B.	69	4	20	24
1971-72	St.Louis B.	78	7	22	29
1972-73	St.Louis B.	68	8	25	33
	Totals	400	34	134	168



BOB PLAGER 30 5-11 195 Defenseman

Rough and tough like older brother Barclay and younger brother Billy . . . Moustache and bushy hair gives him a menacing look . . . Not at all shy about fighting and brawling . . . Ranks next to brother Barclay as one of the Blues' most penalized players . . . Born March 11, 1943, at Kirkland Lake, Ont. . . . His NHL career has been marred by injuries . . . Colorful player who launched his NHL career with the Rangers . . . Scored 33 points last season, the most in his NHL career, and needs three more to reach 100 for his major league career.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1964-65	New York R.	10	0	0	0
1965-66	New York R.	18	0	5	5
1966-67	New York R.	1	0	0	0
1967-68	St. Louis B.	53	2	5	7
1968-69	St. Louis B.	32	0	7	7
1969-70	St. Louis B.	64	3	11	14
1970-71	St. Louis B.	70	1	19	20
1971-72	St. Louis B.	50	4	7	11
1972-73	St. Louis B.	77	2	31	33
	Totals	375	12	85	97

COACH JEAN-GUY TALBOT: Succeeded Al Arbour as coach after Blues had started last season slowly with 3-5-5 record . . . When season ended, he had a plus-.500 record as a coach . . . Starred as a Montreal defenseman from 1954 to 1967 and played 12 years in playoff competition . . . Saw action with Minnesota and Detroit before ending his playing career with St. Louis . . . Born July 11, 1932, at Cap de la Madeleine, Que. . . . Demanding coach and mod dresser who likes his team to concentrate on playing aggressive, close-checking hockey.

ALL-TIME BLUE LEADERS

GOALS: Garry Unger, 41, 1972-73
ASSISTS: Phil Goyette, 49, 1969-70
POINTS: Red Berenson, 82, 1968-69
SHUTOUTS: Glenn Hall, 8, 1968-69

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman and governor: Thayer R. Potter; Gen. Counsel: Peter H. Block; Pub. Rel.: C. Terry Schiffhauer; Chief Scout: Rudy Migay; Gen. Mgr.: Jack Riley; Coach: Ken Schinkel. Home ice: Civic Arena (12,580; 205 x 85'). Colors: White, royal blue, and dark blue. Training camp: Brantford, Ont.

Syl Apps holds the Penguin scoring record.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: The Penguins do all right in the scoring department. Their 257 goals last season gave them the third highest total in the West Division. Unfortunately, the opposition scored more. And the Penguins missed the playoffs, into which they had just managed to sneak the year before.

Their Syl Apps-Al McDonough-Lowell MacDonald line is one of the most prolific in the league. The three totaled 98 goals and 236 points. MacDonald, hampered by injuries

PENGUINS ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
	Steve Andrascik	RW	5-11	190	11-6-48/Sherridon, Man.	Providence	8	9	17	42
26	Syl Apps	C	5-8	170	8-1-47/Toronto, Ont.	Pittsburgh	29	56	85	18
	Wayne Bianchin	LW	5-9	178	9-6-53/	Flin Flon	60	54	114	90
	Larry Bignell	D	5-11	175	1-7-50/Edmonton, Alta.	Hershey	6	15	21	94
	Bob Birdsell	RW	5-10	190	12-10-47/Stettler, Alta.	Hershey	12	23	35	13
10	Robin Burns	LW	6-0	195	8-27-46/Montreal, Que.	Pittsburgh	0	2	2	20
						Hershey	22	25	47	51
4	Dave Burrows	D	6-1	175	1-11-49/Toronto, Ont.	Pittsburgh	3	24	27	42
25	Darryl Edestrand	LW-D	5-11	180	11-6-45/Strathroy, Ont.	Pittsburgh	15	24	39	88
11	Nick Harbaruk	RW	6-0	195	8-16-43/Drohiczyn, Poland	Pittsburgh	10	15	25	47
7	Bryan Hextall	C	5-11	180	5-23-41/Winnipeg, Man.	Pittsburgh	21	33	54	113
	Ron Jones	D	6-2	190	4-11-51/Vermillion, Alta.	Bos. Braves	3	25	28	34
						Bos. Bruins	0	0	0	2
	Yvan Labre	D	5-11	190	11-29-49/Sudbury, Ont.	Hershey	8	29	37	170
24	Jean Guy Lagace	D	5-8	175	2-5-45/L'Abord a Plouffe, Que.	Hershey	7	14	21	54
						Pittsburgh	1	5	6	32
	Ron Lalonde	RW	5-10	170	10-30-52/Toronto, Ont.	Pittsburgh	0	0	0	2
						Hershey	16	26	42	34
	Bernie Lukowich	LW	6-0	190	3-18-52/North Battleford, Sask.	Hershey	22	23	45	64
3	Jack Lynch	D	6-2	180	5-28-52/Toronto, Ont.	Pittsburgh	1	18	19	40
						Hershey	4	17	21	26
18	Lowell MacDonald	LW	5-10	185	8-30-41/New Glasgow, N.S.	Pittsburgh	34	41	75	8
9	Al McDonough	RW	6-1	175	6-6-50/Hamilton, Ont.	Pittsburgh	35	41	76	26
22	Greg Polis	LW	6-0	185	8-8-50/Westlock, Alta.	Pittsburgh	26	23	49	36
19	Jean Pronovost	RW	5-11	180	12-18-45/Shawinigan Falls, Que.	Pittsburgh	21	22	43	16
2	Duane Rupp	D	6-1	195	3-29-38/MacNutt, Sask.	Pittsburgh	7	13	20	62
17	Ron Schock	C	5-10	175	12-19-43/Chapleau, Ont.	Pittsburgh	13	36	49	23
	Jim Shires	LW	6-0	190	11-15-45/Edmonton, Alta.	Pittsburgh	1	2	3	2
						Denver	10	7	17	45
	Ted Snell	RW	5-10	200	5-28-46/Ottawa, Ont.	Hershey	29	35	64	23
	Blaine Stoughton	RW	5-10	183	3-13-53/	Flin Flon	58	60	118	86
5	Bryan Watson	D	5-10	170	11-14-42/Bancroft, Ont.	Pittsburgh	1	17	18	179
	Jim Wiley	C	6-2	200	4-28-50/Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	Pittsburgh	0	1	1	0
					Hershey	Hershey	30	45	75	30
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
	Don Atchison	G	6-2	190	3-14-52/Saskatoon, Sask.	Fort Wayne	30	87	2	2.94
	Andy Brown	G	6-0	185	2-15-44/Hamilton, Ont.	Pitt.-Detroit	16	61	0	4.10
						Fort Worth	22	86	2	3.97
	Denis Herron	G	5-10	155	6-18-52/Chambly, Que.	Pittsburgh	18	55	2	3.41
						Hershey	20	63	0	3.19
1	Jim Rutherford	G	5-8	160	2-17-49/Beeton, Ont.	Pittsburgh	49	129	3	2.91

throughout his pro career, came back from four operations on an injured knee and two seasons away from the game to fit in perfectly with Apps and McDonough.

He played in all 78 games, the first time in recent years he was able to do so, scored 75 points on 34 goals and 41 assists, and won the Bill Masterton Trophy. Apps, one of the best all-around athletes in the league, led the Pens with 85 points.

Besides the members of the big line, the Pens have four 20-goal scorers back from last season—Bryan Hextall, Greg Polis, Eddie Shack and Jean Pronovost. Their first draft choice was a forward, Blaine Stoughton, 58-goal scorer for the Flin Flon Bombers.

DEFENSE: The Penguins used four goaltenders, which is as many as any club in the league employed. Jim Rutherford, who was the regular, did a good job, posting a 2.91 goals-against average in the 49 games he played before being hurt late in the season. Cam Newton and Andy Brown were the others around at the end of the schedule. Their records weren't impressive.

Dave Burrows and Darryl Edestrand are constantly improving as they go into their third season on the Pittsburgh defense. Edestrand contributed 15 goals. Duane Rupp and Bryan Watson lend experience to the backline, and Jean-Guy Lagace, who played 31 games in the latter half of the campaign, may help.

The Penguins gave up nine more goals than they scored last season, not a good way to make the playoffs. They will have to tighten up in order to rise in the standing.

OUTLOOK: Ken Schinkel took over the coaching job from Red Kelly during last season, and although this removed a good, hard-working right winger from the playing roster, the move seemed to work out fairly well.

Schinkel, one of the original Penguins, appears to be able to handle the coaching chores for men he had been playing next to. They like him and put out for him. He will be expected to get the Penguins into the playoffs, however, if he wants to remain coach.

PENGUIN PROFILES

SYL APPS 26 6-0 185 **Forward**

Graceful center whose playmaking has produced 100 assists in the last two seasons . . . Set Penguin season scoring record

with 85 points in 1972-73 but an injury kept him from playing in All-Star Game . . . A Princeton University player before turning pro with Rangers . . . Born Aug. 1, 1947, at Toronto, Ont. . . . Son of Hall of Famer Syl Apps Sr., former Toronto star . . . "His dad was a faster skater but young Syl plays the game a lot more aggressively," says former NHL referee Bill Chadwick when asked to compare the father and son.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	N.Y.R.-Pit. Pe.	62	10	18	28
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	72	15	44	59
1972-73	Pittsburgh Pe.	77	29	56	85
	Totals	211	54	118	172

BRYAN HEXTALL 32 5-11 180 **Forward**

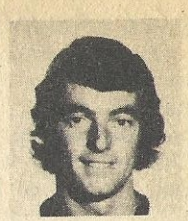
Not the sort of chap to challenge . . . Has a reputation as one of the league's toughest forwards and his penalty minutes prove it . . . Son of Hall of Fame member and brother of Minnesota's Dennis Hextall . . . Not a stylish-skating center like teammate Syl Apps, but can be counted upon for 20-goal seasons . . . Born May 23, 1941, at Winnipeg, Man. . . . Hard-working forward who forechecks and backchecks diligently and thrives on digging pucks out of the corners . . . Starts fourth year as a Penguin regular.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1962-63	New York R.	21	0	2	2
1969-70	Pittsburgh Pe.	66	12	19	31
1970-71	Pittsburgh Pe.	76	16	32	48
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	78	20	24	44
1972-73	Pittsburgh Pe.	78	21	33	54
	Totals	319	69	110	179

AL McDONOUGH 23 6-1 175 **Forward**

General manager Jack Riley calls him, "our most pleasant surprise of the season." . . . Young right wing broke out as a scorer last season after unimpressive terms with Los Angeles and the Penguins in the previous two seasons . . . Set team record with 35 goals and placed second to Syl Apps in scoring with 76 points . . . Born June 6, 1950, at Hamilton, Ont. . . . A smooth, effortless skater with an accurate shot, he was a first-round draft choice of Los Angeles in 1970 amateur draft.

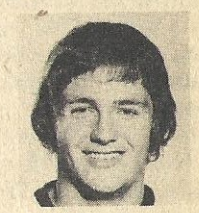
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Los Angeles	6	2	1	3
1971-72	L.A.-Pitt. Pe.	68	10	13	23
1972-73	Pittsburgh Pe.	78	35	41	76
	Totals	152	47	55	102



GREG POLIS 23 5-11 190 **Forward**

Enjoyed a memorable night at last season's All-Star Game in New York . . . Scored two goals, was named MVP and learned his wife had given birth to his first child . . . On the brink of achieving superstar status . . . Energetic left wing has 30 and 26-goal seasons behind him . . . Born Aug. 8, 1950, at Westlock, Alta. . . . Credits his pet dog for helping him become a clever puck-handler . . . "When I was a kid, I'd skate on a pond with my dog nipping at the puck as I carried it up the ice; that's how I learned to control the puck," he says.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Pittsburgh Pe.	61	18	15	33
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	76	30	19	49
1972-73	Pittsburgh Pe.	78	26	23	49
	Totals	215	74	57	131



JEAN PRONOVOST 28 5-11 180 **Forward**

Nicknamed Pronie and very popular with Pittsburgh fans and teammates . . . Brother of former NHL defenseman Marcel Pronovost . . . Held Penguin scoring record with 30 goals before Al McDonough eclipsed it last season . . . Born Dec. 18, 1945, at Shawinigan Falls, Que. . . . Valuable right wing who doubles as penalty-killer . . . Developed in Boston Bruins' organization and traded to Pittsburgh . . . Has never been below double figures as a goal-scorer in seven seasons as a pro.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Pittsburgh Pe.	76	16	25	41
1969-70	Pittsburgh Pe.	72	20	21	41
1970-71	Pittsburgh Pe.	78	21	24	45
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	68	30	23	53
1972-73	Pittsburgh Pe.	66	21	22	43
	Totals	360	108	115	223

DAVE BURROWS 24 6-1 175 **Defenseman**

Don't mention his name in Chicago . . . Black Hawks failed to protect him in 1971 intra-league draft and the Penguins claimed him . . . A defense-minded skater who plays his position in the manner of the Rangers' Rod Seiling and Chicago's Bill White . . . Born Jan. 11, 1949, at Toronto, Ont. . . . One of the most capable young defensemen in the NHL . . . Difficult for forwards to go around . . . Seldom takes bad penalties and is on verge of breaking into all-star class.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	77	2	10	12
1972-73	Pittsburgh Pe.	78	3	24	27
	Totals	155	5	34	39

LOWELL MacDONALD 32 5-11 185 **Forward**

Soft-spoken right wing had every reason to retire from hockey . . . He did not play a game in 1971-72 and played only 10 the previous season because of four serious knee operations . . . "I was going to quit but decided to give it one more try," he says . . . Penguins are glad he did . . . He scored 34 goals and 75 points and his magnificent comeback won him the Masterton Trophy for his dedication to hockey . . . Born Aug. 30, 1941, at New Glasgow, Nova Scotia . . . Played his first NHL game in 1962 with Detroit.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1961-62	Detroit R.W.	1	0	0	0
1962-63	Detroit R.W.	26	2	1	3
1963-64	Detroit R.W.	10	1	4	5
1964-65	Detroit R.W.	9	2	1	3
1967-68	Los Angeles	74	21	24	45
1968-69	Los Angeles	58	14	14	28
1970-71	Pittsburgh Pe.	10	0	1	1
1972-73	Pittsburgh Pe.	78	34	41	75
	Totals	266	74	86	160

EDDIE SHACK 36 6-1 195 **Forward**

A legend in his own time . . . Known for his zany actions on and off the ice during a 16-season career in the NHL . . . A crowd-pleaser nicknamed The Entertainer and the hero of a

jingle, "Clear the Track, Here Comes Shack!" when he played in Toronto . . . Born Feb. 11, 1937, at Sudbury, Ont. . . . Has played for six NHL teams . . . Proved he still could score last season by beating rival goalies 25 times . . . Fast, long-striding left wing who roams all over the ice but always puts forth the proverbial 100 percent.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1958-59	New York R.	67	7	14	21
1959-60	New York R.	62	8	10	18
1960-61	N.Y.R.-Tor. M.L.	67	15	16	31
1961-62	Toronto M.L.	44	7	14	21
1962-63	Toronto M.L.	63	16	9	25
1963-64	Toronto M.L.	64	11	10	21
1964-65	Toronto M.L.	67	5	9	14
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	63	26	17	43
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	63	11	14	25
1967-68	Boston	70	23	19	42
1968-69	Boston	50	11	11	22
1969-70	Los Angeles	73	22	12	34
1970-71	L.A.-Buff.	67	27	19	46
1971-72	Buff.-Pitt. Pe.	68	16	23	39
1972-73	Pittsburgh Pe.	74	25	20	45
	Totals	962	230	217	447

JIM RUTHERFORD 24 5-8 160 **Goaltender**

Extroverted, peppy little guy who doesn't allow the pressure of his position to get him up-tight . . . Asked about his best moves in a spectacular losing effort in New York, he said: "My best moves were leaving the ice after each period." . . . Has quick reflexes and seldom gets beaten on first shot . . . His 2.91 average and 20 wins last season were the best of his NHL career . . . Born Feb. 17, 1949, at Beeton, Ont. . . . Started as a pro in the Detroit organization . . . Mod chap whose long red hair spills out around his protective mask.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1970-71	Detroit RW..	25	94	1	3.76
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	36	116	1	3.22
1972-73	Pittsburgh Pe.	44-1/3	129	3	2.91
	Totals	105-1/3	339	5	3.23

BRYAN WATSON 31 5-10 175 **Defenseman**

Rival forwards mutter and curse when they hear his name . . . Nicknamed Bugsy or the Pest because of his tenacious, combative brand of play . . . Always ranks among the most penalized players in the league and set Penguins' penalty record with NHL-leading 212 minutes two years ago . . . "You've got to admire him; he's a game little guy," says New York's Vic Hadfield, who has a running on-ice feud with Bugsy . . . Born Nov. 14, 1942, at Bancroft, Ont. . . . Often gets the job of shadowing the opposition's high-scoring forward.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1963-64	Montreal C.	39	0	2	2
1964-65	Montreal C.	5	0	1	1
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	70	2	7	9
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	48	0	1	1
1967-68	Montreal C.	12	0	1	1
1968-69	Oak-Pitts Pe.	68	2	7	9
1969-70	Pittsburgh Pe.	61	1	9	10
1970-71	Pittsburgh Pe.	43	2	6	8
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	75	3	17	20
1972-73	Pittsburgh Pe.	69	1	17	18
	Totals	490	11	68	79

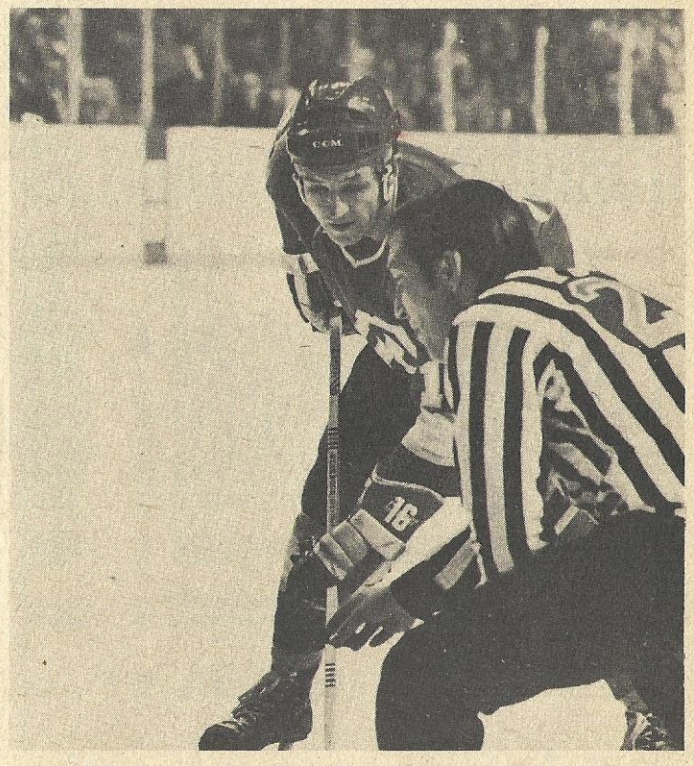
COACH KEN SCHINKEL: Made his coaching debut at mid-season in 1972-73 in a strange manner . . . Was criticized by Red Kelly for taking a foolish penalty against the Rangers and was benched . . . Ten days later he replaced Kelly as coach . . . An original member of the Penguins, he spent the first of his 12 NHL seasons with the Rangers . . . Low-key type who relates well to veterans and younger players . . . Born Nov. 27, 1932, at Jansen, Sask. . . . Scored 127 goals as a NHL right wing in his career.

ALL-TIME PENGUIN LEADERS

GOALS: Al McDonough, 35, 1972-73
ASSISTS: Syl Apps, 56, 1972-73
POINTS: Syl Apps, 85, 1972-73
SHUTOUTS: Les Binkley, 6, 1967-68

ATLANTA FLAMES

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: Dillard Munford; Pres.: William Putnam; Gen. Mgr.: Cliff Fletcher; Pub. Rel.: Jim Huber; Coach: Bernard "Boom Boom" Geoffrion. Home ice: The Omni (15,078, 200′ x 85′). Colors: Red, white, and gold. Training camp: Ottawa, Ont.



Bob Leiter awaits a face-off en route to his best year.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: In their first NHL season, the Flames were the sensation of the league for quite a time, but then their inexperience told and they tailed off to a seventh-place finish in the West Division.

FLAMES ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
	Chuck Arnason	RW	5-10	180	7-15-51/Ashern, Man.	Montreal	1	1	2	2
5	Curt Bennett	C	6-3	195	3-27-48/Regina, Sask.	Nova Scotia	18	20	38	4
	Dwight Bialowas	D	5-11	180	9-8-52/Regina, Sask.	Rang.-Atlanta	18	18	36	20
19	Arnie Brown	D	5-11	185	1-28-42/Oshawa, Ont.	Omaha	11	24	35	58
18	Rey Comeau	C	5-8	170	10-25-48/Montreal, Que.	Isl.-Atlanta	5	8	13	44
10	Butch Deadmarsh	LW	5-10	185	4-5-50/Trail, B.C.	Atlanta	21	21	42	19
						Cincinnati	7	4	11	20
	Lucien Grenier	RW	5-10	163	11-3-46/Malartic, Que.	Buffalo-Atlanta	2	1	3	34
24	Kerry Ketter	D	6-1	202	9-20-47/Prince George, B.C.	Injured-did not play				
16	Bob Leiter	C	5-9	164	3-22-41/Winnipeg, Man.	Atlanta	0	2	2	58
	Jean Lemieux	D	6-1	175	5-31-52/Noranda, Que.	Atlanta	26	34	60	19
	Tom Lysiak	C	6-1	185	4-22-53/Medicine Hat, Man.	Omaha	10	32	42	35
7	Randy Manery	D	6-0	180	1-10-49/Leamington, Ont.	Medicine Hat	58	96	154	104
	Don Martineau	RW	6-0	190	4-25-52/Kimberly, B.C.	Atlanta	5	30	35	44
9	Keith McCreary	LW	5-10	180	6-19-40/Sundridge, Ont.	Omaha	22	28	50	170
	Vic Mercredi	C	5-8	180	3-31-53/	Atlanta	20	21	41	21
	Doug Mohns	D	6-0	187	12-13-33/Capreol, Ont.	New Westminster	52	61	113	135
8	Lew Morrison	RW	6-0	185	2-11-48/Gainesborough, Sask.	Minnesota	4	13	17	52
	Bob Murray	D	6-1	195	7-16-48/Burlington, Ont.	Atlanta	6	9	15	19
6	Bob Paradise	D	6-0	205	4-22-44/St. Paul, Minn.	Nova Scotia	4	22	26	61
	Noel Price	D	6-0	185	12-9-35/Brockville, Ont.	Atlanta	1	7	8	103
	Lynn Powis	C	6-0	185	4-19-49/Saskatoon, Sask.	Atlanta	1	13	14	38
	Pat Quinn	D	6-3	215	1-29-43/Hamilton, Ont.	Omaha	34	40	74	49
15	Jacques Richard	LW	5-11	170	10-7-52/Quebec City, Que.	Atlanta	2	18	20	113
11	Leon Rochefort	RW	6-0	175	5-4-39/Cap de la Madeleine, Que.	Atlanta	13	18	31	32
21	Larry Romanchych	RW	6-1	180	9-7-49/Vancouver, B.C.	Atlanta	11	22	33	12
	Morris Stefaniw	C	5-11	170	1-10-48/North Battleford, Sask.	Atlanta	18	30	48	39
						Atlanta	1	1	2	2
17	John Stewart	LW	6-0	180	5-16-50/Eriksdale, Man.	Nova Scotia	30	71	101	80
						Nova Scotia	3	3	6	7
	Eric Vail	LW	—	—	—	Atlanta	17	17	34	30
						Sudbury	48	57	105	80
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
30	Danny Bouchard	G	6-0	180	12-12-50/Val D'Or, Que.	Atlanta	34	100	2	3.09
1	Phil Myre	G	6-1	180	11-1-48/St. Anne de Bellevue, Que.	Atlanta	46	138	2	3.03
	Jim Shaw	G	6-0	180	10-18-45/Saskatoon, Sask.	Baltimore	45	161	2	3.63

Coach Bernie (Boom Boom) Geoffrion, who deserves no little credit for what his team did last season, expects better things in the campaign coming up. He and general manager Cliff Fletcher have added firepower to the attack that scored only 191 goals.

Tom Lysiak, the big Medicine Hat center who led the Western Canada Hockey League in scoring for the second straight year with 154 points (58 goals), was the Flames' first pick in the amateur draft.

Through a deal with Montreal, the Flames also got another player in the first round, Vic Mercredi, New Westminster's high-scoring center. Their second-round choice, Eric Vail, left winger from the Sudbury Wolves, gave the Flames three of the first 21 juniors chosen.

They added a left winger, Chuck Arnason, in another deal with Montreal. Top returning forwards are Bob Leiter, Larry Romanchych, Rey Comeau, Curt Bennett, Jacques Richard and Keith McCreary.

DEFENSE: Atlanta's goals-against total, 239, was third best in the West and better than that of four clubs in the East.

The goaltending duo of Phil Myre and Dan Bouchard performed responsibly. Myre, formerly of Montreal, had a 3.03 goals-against average, and Bouchard, from the Boston organization, was 3.09.

They have a couple of rough characters in front of them in Pat Quinn and Bob Paradise and overall, the defense doesn't look bad. Another deal with Montreal brought defenseman Bob Murray (who played for the Nova Scotia Voyageurs last season) and Dale Hoganson, but Hoganson jumped to the World Hockey Association. The Flames then picked 39-year-old Doug Mohns in the intra-league draft.

Geoffrion has plenty of backliners to choose from. He had eight on the roster at the end of last season. Arnie Brown, Randy Manery, Kerry Ketter, Noel Picard and Noel Price return, in addition to those already named. Manery was the best offensive forward, with 30 assists.

OUTLOOK: The fans of this southern city, much more knowledgeable about hockey than a year ago, are going to expect more from their club from now on. The Boomer and his boys might be able to give it to them. The Flames appear to have been improved considerably by off-season doings. If Geoffrion can fire them up again, they may give some people trouble.

FLAME PROFILES

BOB LEITER 32 5-9 165 — **Forward**

Slick, quick center compiled best record of seven-year NHL career last season, leading Flames in goals, assists and points . . . Small but durable and has not missed game during last two seasons . . . "He's consistent and has a lot of savvy," says coach Bernie Geoffrion . . . Born March 22, 1941, at Winnipeg, Man. . . . Has reputation as clutch performer . . . Hampered by lung ailment in 1966-67 season . . . Wears helmet and capitalized on sparse hair to endorse toupees.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1962-63	Boston	51	9	13	22
1963-64	Boston	56	6	13	19
1964-65	Boston	18	3	1	4
1965-66	Boston	9	2	1	3
1968-69	Boston	1	0	0	0
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	78	14	17	31
1972-73	Atlanta	78	26	34	60
	Totals	291	60	79	139

LARRY ROMANCHYCH 24 6-1 180 — **Forward**

Developed in Chicago Black Hawk organization . . . Was Flames' second leading scorer in first NHL season . . . Has size and strength to be compared in style with Rangers' Walt Tkaczuk . . . Not flashy but difficult to check off puck or muscle away from net . . . Fast skater, persistent checker and hard-worker . . . Born Sept. 7, 1949, at Vancouver . . . With a full year in NHL behind him, big things are expected of him in Flames' second season.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Chicago	10	0	2	2
1972-73	Atlanta	70	18	30	48
	Totals	80	18	32	50

ARNIE BROWN 31 5-11 185 — **Defenseman**

Bright, articulate veteran of 11 NHL seasons was the most traveled player in NHL last season, starting in Detroit, moving

to New York Islanders and winding up with Flames . . . Made no secret of his dislike for playing with hapless Islanders and asked to be traded . . . Once held New York Ranger goal-scoring record for defensemen and likes to carry puck and shoot . . . Born Jan. 28, 1942, in Oshawa, Ont. . . . Slowed by knee ailments but still throws expert hip check.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1961-62	Toronto M.L.	2	0	0	0
1963-64	Toronto M.L.	4	0	0	0
1964-65	New York R.	58	1	11	12
1965-66	New York R.	64	1	7	8
1966-67	New York R.	69	2	10	12
1967-68	New York R.	74	1	25	26
1968-69	New York R.	74	10	12	22
1969-70	New York R.	73	15	21	36
1970-71	N.Y.R.-Det. R.W.	75	5	18	23
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	77	2	23	25
1972-73	N.Y.I.-Atl.	63	5	8	13
	Totals	633	42	135	177

KEITH McCREARY 33 5-10 180 — **Forward**

Three years of knee, shoulder and leg injuries convinced Pittsburgh to surrender left wing in 1972 expansion draft . . . Bounced back with 20-goal season and provided quiet leadership as team captain . . . Product of Montreal organization was rescued from minor leagues in 1967 expansion . . . Solid two-way player who skated last year on line with Curt Bennett and former Flame Bill MacMillan . . . Born June 19, 1940, at Sundridge, Ont. . . . Has scored 102 career goals and led Flames with nine power play scores.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1964-65	Montreal C.	9	0	3	3
1967-68	Pittsburgh Pe.	70	14	12	26
1968-69	Pittsburgh Pe.	70	25	23	48
1969-70	Pittsburgh Pe.	60	18	8	26
1970-71	Pittsburgh Pe.	59	21	12	33
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	33	4	4	8
1972-73	Atlanta	77	20	21	41
	Totals	378	102	83	185

RANDY MANERY 24 6-0 180 **Defenseman**

Detroit Red Wings must regret losing him in 1972 expansion draft . . . Was Flames' most dependable defenseman last season and was selected to play in All-Star Game . . . A defensive defenseman in the mold of Rangers' Rod Seiling who seldom takes foolish penalties or is caught out of position . . . Born Jan. 10, 1949, at Leamington, Ont. . . . Quick, mobile skater who ranked among best rookie defensemen in first NHL season.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Detroit R.W.	2	0	0	0
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	1	0	0	0
1972-73	Atlanta	78	5	30	35
	Totals	81	5	30	35

PHIL MYRE 25 6-1 180 **Goaltender**

Once regarded as future Montreal star until arrival of Ken Dryden forced him to languish on bench for three years . . . Flames got him in 1972 expansion draft and his play indicated he's among best young goaltenders in the NHL . . . Uses stand-up style, seldom gets beaten on first shot, has quick reflexes to stop rebounds and caught the fancy of Atlanta fans with his flashy, confident manner of blocking pucks . . . Born Nov. 1, 1948, at Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Que. . . . Accomplished guitarist and devotee of rock, pop and western music.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1969-70	Montreal C..	8-1/3	19	0	2.28
1970-71	Montreal C..	28	87	1	3.11
1971-72	Montreal C..	9	32	0	3.63
1972-73	Atlanta	45-2/3	138	2	3.03
	Totals	90	276	3	3.06

DAN BOUCHARD 23 6-0 180 **Goaltender**

My, how the Bruins wish they had not exposed him to Flames in 1972 expansion draft . . . All-Star goalie in American League during 1971-72 shared Flames' goaltending with Phil Myre . . . "Phil and me are a team and we're both happy because we each get to play enough," says the blond

Flame . . . Born Dec. 12, 1950, at LaSalle, Que. . . . "He's the best young goalkeeper in the business," proclaims general manager Cliff Fletcher . . . Has improved his English by doing crossword puzzles.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1972-73	Atlanta	32-1/2	100	2	3.09

PAT QUINN 30 6-3 215 **Defenseman**

Big, tough rearguard who thrives on body contact and loves to knock down enemy forwards . . . Led Flames with 113 penalty minutes last season . . . Nicknamed "The Tree" for his size and strength and once manhandled the Bruins' Bobby Orr in on-ice combat . . . "I don't play it dirty but I get a great deal of pleasure out of giving out a good beating," says Quinn . . . Born Jan. 29, 1943, at Hamilton, Ont. . . . Studied 11 years in off-season to earn university economics degree.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	40	2	7	9
1969-70	Toronto M.L.	59	0	5	5
1970-71	Vancouver	76	2	11	13
1971-72	Vancouver	57	2	3	5
1972-73	Atlanta	78	2	18	20
	Totals	310	8	44	52

CURT BENNETT 25 6-3 195 **Forward**

Many Ranger fans still mystified by trading of potential star . . . Has powerful skating style and polished moves . . . Scored 18 goals in 52 games with Flames after Rangers swapped him for defenseman Ron Harris last year . . . "This kid's going to be a superstar," proclaims coach Bernie Geoffrion . . . Skates on power play, kills penalties and can play left wing or defense . . . Born March 27, 1948, at Regina, Sask. . . . "You don't see many big centers like him who can bring the puck over the blue line the way he does," says former Montreal star Jean Beliveau . . . Brown University

graduate can play it tough when he has to and is a yoga and karate devotee who married a rock singer.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	St.Louis B.	4	2	0	2
1971-72	St.Louis B.	31	3	5	8
1972-73	NYR-Atlanta	68	18	18	36
	Totals	103	23	23	46

TOM LYSIAK 20 6-1 185 Forward

Second choice in amateur draft is expected to play important role with Flames . . . "He has unbelievable pro moves as a center for a kid out of junior hockey," says coach Bernie Geoffrion, who spotted Lysiak by accident while on Western Canada scouting trip for Rangers in 1972 . . . Scored 58 goals, 96 assists and 154 points last season for Medicine Hat Tigers . . . Born April 22, 1953, in Medicine Hat, Man. . . . Has signed lucrative long-term contract with Flames.

COACH BERNIE GEOFFRION: Flamboyant personality and mod dresser whose 16-year NHL career resulted in 393 goals and election to Hall of Fame . . . Montreal fans nicknamed him "Boom Boom" for sound of his slap shots crashing against the boards . . . "Let me tell you, I never thought we'd win as many games as we did in our first year; this season we're going to make the playoffs," he says . . . Born Feb. 16, 1931, at Montreal, Que. . . . Coached New York Rangers before ulcers got the best of him but now has learned how to cope with coaching pressures.

ALL-TIME FLAME LEADERS

GOALS: Bob Leiter, 26, 1972-73
ASSISTS: Bob Leiter, 34, 1972-73
POINTS: Bob Leiter, 60, 1972-73
SHUTOUTS: Phil Myre, 2, 1972-73
Dan Bouchard, 2, 1972-73

CALIFORNIA GOLDEN SEALS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Charles O. Finley; V.P., Gen. Mgr. and Interim Coach: Fred Glover; Sec.: Charles O. Finley, Jr.; Treas.: Shirley M. Finley; Controller: Dan D. Hawkley; Pub. Rel. and Adv.: Mark A. Freter; Head Scout: Ed Reigle. Home ice: Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum Arena (12,500; 200′ x 85′). Colors: Kelly Green and California Gold. Training camp: Oshawa, Ont.

Despite the mask, Joey Johnston is a forward, not a tackle.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: With all that happened to the Golden Seals, they did well to finish the season in the league. They lost more players than any other club to the World Hockey Association; they lost their general manager, Garry Young, who had a public airing of his troubles with owner Charles O. Finley,

GOLDEN SEALS ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
9	Ivan Boldirev	C	6-0	190	8-15-49/Zranjanin, Yugo.	California	11	23	34	58
	Lyle Bradley	C	5-9	155	7-31-43/Lloydminster, Sask.	Salt Lake City	29	58	87	88
	Tom Cassidy	C	5-11	180	3-15-52/Blind River, Ont.	Baltimore	21	32	53	86
	Gary Coalter	C	5-10	180	7-8-50/Toronto, Ont.	Providence	10	13	23	67
						Omaha	5	8	13	30
18	Gary Croteau	LW	6-0	205	6-20-46/Sudbury, Ont.	California	6	15	21	8
10	Stan Gilbertson	LW	6-0	175	10-29-44/Duluth, Minn.	California	6	15	21	19
17	Hilliard Graves	RW	5-11	170	10-18-50/St. John, N.B.	California	27	25	52	34
12	Del Hall	LW	6-0	185	5-7-49/Peterborough, Ont.	California	0	0	0	0
						Salt Lake City	24	18	42	23
	Dave Hrechkosy	RW	6-2	195	1-2-52/Winnipeg, Man.	Rochester	15	24	39	48
	Ron Huston	C	5-10	175	4-8-45/Manitou, Man.	Salt Lake City	42	42	84	21
	Jeff Jacques	C	—	—	—	St. Catharines	32	46	78	82
22	Joey Johnston	LW	5-9	180	3-3-49/Peterborough, Ont.	California	28	21	49	62
2	Marshall Johnston	D	5-11	175	6-6-41/Birch Hills, Sask.	California	10	20	30	14
	Jim Jones	D	5-11	185	7-27-49/Espanola, Ont.	Salt Lake City	0	3	3	16
						Baltimore	1	2	3	12
	Rick Kessel	C	5-10	175	7-27-49/Toronto, Ont.	Columbus	3	15	18	52
24	Pete Laframboise	LW	6-2	185	1-18-50/Ottawa, Ont.	Pittsburgh	1	13	14	0
7	Reg Leach	RW	6-2	180	6-18-36/Lloydminster, Sask.	California	16	25	41	26
23	Ted McAneeley	D	5-9	185	11-7-50/Cranbrook, B.C.	California	23	12	35	45
	Ray McKay	D	6-3	185	8-22-46/Edmonton, Alta.	California	4	13	17	75
						Cincinnati	5	32	37	123
8	Walt McKechnie	C	6-2	195	6-19-47/London, Ont.	Buffalo	0	0	0	0
	Brent Meeke	D	5-11	172	4-10-52/Toronto, Ont.	California	16	38	54	58
						Salt Lake City	14	22	36	36
	Hartland Monahan	RW	5-11	170	3-29-51/Montreal, Que.	California	0	0	0	0
20	Morris Mott	RW	5-10	165	5-25-46/Creelman, Sask.	Salt Lake City	18	34	52	60
						California	6	7	13	8
	Terry Murray	D	6-2	190	7-20-50/Shawville, Que.	Salt Lake City	8	5	13	0
						California	0	3	3	4
14	Craig Patrick	RW	6-0	185	5-20-46/Detroit, Mich.	Salt Lake City	3	8	11	30
	Paul Shakes	D	5-10	172	9-4-52/Collingswood, Ont.	California	20	22	42	6
6	Bob Stewart	D	6-2	195	11-10-50/Charlottetown, PEI	Salt Lake City	11	31	42	59
	Pete Vipond	LW	5-10	175	12-8-49/Whitby, Ont.	California	4	17	21	181
						Salt Lake City	33	24	57	17
22	Stan Weir	C	6-1	175	3-17-52/Ponoka, Alta.	California	0	0	0	0
						California	15	24	39	16
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
1	Marv Edwards	G	5-8	155	8-15-35/St. Catharines, Ont.	California	21	87	1	4.32
27	Gilles Meloche	G	5-10	170	7-12-50/Montreal, Que.	California	59	235	1	4.06
	Ted Tucker	G	5-11	150	5-7-49/Ft. William, Ont.	Salt Lake City	32	112	1	3.50

they played the season under an interim coach, Fred Glover, who also acted as general manager when Young departed.

Yet, through it all, the Seals managed to remain constant in one particular: goal scoring. In finishing last in the West Division they totaled 231 goals, only three less than they registered when they finished sixth in the West the year before.

The top-scoring line of Walt McKechnie, Joey Johnston and Craig Patrick performed respectably (64 goals and 145 points). They're all young and should get better. So should Hilliard Graves, one of the better rookies in the league last season.

Reg Leach, heralded as a future superstar when he turned pro two years ago, still is far from that status but he's improving. He was one of the team's four 20-goal men. Pete Laframboise, Ivan Boldirev and Stan Weir are other young forwards expected to improve.

DEFENSE: The goals against department is where the Golden Seals slumped—from 288 to 323. On the road they gave up 177, by far the worst in the West Division.

Gilles Meloche did the bulk of the goaltending and did a good job for a guy who was on his own much of the time. He posted a 4.08 average in 59 games. Veteran Marv Edwards had a 4.32 average in 21 starts.

Except for Murray Johnston (32), the defense is young and inexperienced. Terry Murray is 23, Ted McAneely and Bobby Stewart each 22. Ray McKay, 26, who received the outstanding defenseman award in the American League with Calder Cup champion Cincinnati, may help. He came from Buffalo in the intra-league draft.

When Glover, the executive vice president, GM and coach, says, "We have a fine group of young players who are capable of playing winning hockey," he is hoping the defense comes through for him. His entire club is young but forwards can get away with inexperience better than the backliners.

Maybe Glover has them going the right way. The Golden Seals won their last four games and knocked Los Angeles out of the playoffs with two defeats.

OUTLOOK: Glover, who still was a triple-threat man at the time of the summer meetings, said he expected to have a single-duty coach for the club before the season started. Whatever happens, the club is young and suddenly might find the winning formula. There is some good, young talent present.

GOLDEN SEAL PROFILES

WALT McKECHNIE 26 6-2 185 — **Forward**

Husky center's ego was bruised when owner Charlie Finley made one of his infrequent visits to Seals' game and walked up to McKechnie in the dressing room . . . "I know who you are," said Finley, "you're Walt McKenzie." . . . Rivals know him as a center who uses his size effectively and led Seals in scoring last season . . . A fast skater and clean but hard hitter . . . Many stronger teams would like to have him . . . Born June 19, 1947, at London, Ont.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Minnesota	4	0	0	0
1968-69	Minnesota	59	5	9	14
1969-70	Minnesota	20	1	3	4
1970-71	Minnesota	30	3	1	4
1971-72	California	56	11	20	31
1972-73	California	78	16	38	54
	Totals	246	36	71	107

STAN WEIR 21 6-1 170 — **Forward**

Seals' top 1972 amateur draft choice scored 15 goals in NHL debut and drew praise from rival coaches for his potential and progress . . . Scored 110 goals and 244 points in two years with Medicine Hat Tigers of Western Canada League before turning pro . . . Born March 17, 1952, at Ponoka, Alta. . . . Fast skater who doesn't surrender puck easily and isn't afraid to hold his own in jungle warfare in corners or in front of the net.

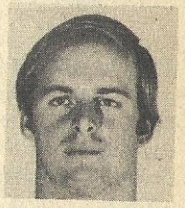
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	California	78	15	24	39

CRAIG PATRICK 27 6-0 185 — **Forward**

Quick-moving American-born right wing who became a 20-goal scorer in his first season in the NHL . . . Has accurate shot from short and long range . . . Seldom spends much time

in penalty box . . . Was raised in a hockey atmosphere which includes such notable names as father Lynn Patrick, uncle Muzz Patrick and grandfather Lester Patrick, all having reached the NHL level as players, coaches or club executives . . . Born May 20, 1946, at Detroit, Michigan . . . Seals expect him to develop into 30-goal scorer this season.

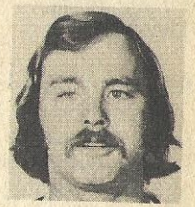
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	California	59	8	3	11
1972-73	California	71	20	22	42
	Totals	130	28	25	53



JOEY JOHNSTON 24 5-10 175 — **Forward**

Hard-nosed center eliminated some of his foolish penalties and with more ice time doubled goal production from 1971-72 by leading Seals with 28 . . . Swift rusher and good passer who doesn't shy away from contact . . . Developed in Minnesota organization . . . Born March 3, 1949, at Peterborough, Ont. . . . Averaged close to one point a game in three straight minor league seasons before joining Seals.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Minnesota	12	1	0	1
1971-72	California	77	15	17	32
1972-73	California	71	28	21	49
	Totals	160	44	38	82



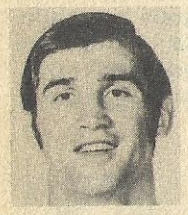
MARSHALL JOHNSTON 32 5-11 175 — **Defenseman**

Late-bloomer who developed into steady blue-liner and part-time swingman at forward last season . . . His 10 goals led Seals' defensemen . . . Rugged checker and energetic skater who spent portions of four seasons with Minnesota North Stars before Seals rescued him from minor leagues . . . Physical fitness devotee who two years ago was selected to appear in a movie about the President's Committee on Physical Fitness . . . Born June 6, 1941, at Birch Hills, Sask. . . . Voted outstanding American League defenseman in 1971.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Minnesota	7	0	0	0
1968-69	Minnesota	13	0	0	0
1969-70	Minnesota	28	0	5	5
1970-71	Minnesota	1	0	0	0
1971-72	California	74	2	11	13
1972-73	California	78	10	20	30
	Totals	201	12	36	48

HILLIARD GRAVES 23 5-11 170 **Forward**

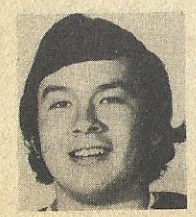
Second leading scorer for Seals in first season in NHL . . . Lack of publicity and playing for a last-place team crimped his chances to win Calder Trophy as rookie of the year . . . Not flashy but consistent and works as hard on defense as on offense . . . Has good puck sense and intelligence and breaks toward net effectively from his right wing position . . . Born Oct. 18, 1950, at St. John, New Brunswick . . . His 27 goals and 52 points last season were a high for his three years as a pro.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	California	14	0	0	0
1972-73	California	75	27	25	52
	Totals	89	27	25	52

REG LEACH 23 6-0 182 **Forward**

Twenty-three goal scorer last season and threat to score more this season because of quick shot and skating speed . . . Bruins surrendered him as one of their top young prospects in 1972 in exchange for defenseman Carol Vadnais . . . Scored 65 goals in final year as an amateur . . . Born April 23, 1950, at Riverton, Man. . . . Nicknamed Little Beaver or Chief because of Indian heritage . . . Tough to stop on 1-on-1 situations.

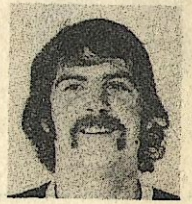


Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Boston	23	2	4	6
1971-72	Bos.-Calif.	73	13	20	33
1972-73	California	76	23	12	35
	Totals	172	38	36	74

PETE LAFRAMBOISE 22 6-2 190 **Forward**

Showed flashes of scoring brilliance last season with a four-goal game but ended season with 16 goals . . . Flashy skater with mod hairstyle and popular with fans . . . Has the size and potential to develop into center of star quality . . . Gets shot away quickly . . . Born Jan. 18, 1950, at Ottawa, Ont. . . . Scored several three-goal hat-tricks and had four-goal game in 1971-72 en route to all-star honors and 37-goal season with American League Baltimore Clippers.

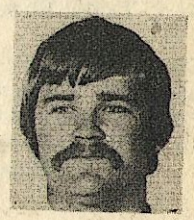
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	California	5	0	0	0
1972-73	California	77	16	25	41
	Totals	82	16	25	41



BOB STEWART 23 6-1 206 **Defenseman**

One of the most popular Seals among fans because of his menacing features and willingness to bodycheck and fight . . . Developed toughness in Boston organization and came west in the Carol Vadnais trade . . . Some rivals claim he plays dirty but Stewie innocently says no, adding that while he loves to fight he's never been cut . . . Led Seals with 181 penalty minutes last season . . . Born Nov. 10, 1950, at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island . . . Has potential to become quality rearguard.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Bost.-Calif.	24	1	2	3
1972-73	California	63	4	17	21
	Totals	87	5	19	24



GILLES MELOCHE 23 5-10 170 **Goaltender**

Outstanding young goaltender whom coach Fred Glover compares in style and ability to the late Hall of Fame goalie Terry Sawchuk . . . His 4.06 goals-against average is not indicative of his skill . . . Ironman goalie has accounted for 28 of

Seals' 37 wins in goal the last two seasons . . . "He has great anticipation and reflexes," says Ranger general manager Emile Francis . . . Born July 12, 1950, at Montreal, Que. . . . Because of weak team, often handles 50 shots a game . . . "Sometimes I jump up in bed and my wife asks what's wrong," says Meloche. "I tell her I'm just counting pucks I stop in my sleep."

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1970-71	Chicago	2	6	0	3.00
1971-72	California	52	173	4	3.32
1972-73	California	58	235	1	4.06
	Totals	112	414	5	3.69

COACH FRED GLOVER: His somber expression can best be explained by the trials and tribulations of coaching a last-place team . . . Replaced Garry Young as coach before training camp last season . . . Previously had coached Seals for three years, guiding them to second place in 1968-69 . . . Never made it big as an NHL player, but once held all major career scoring records in the American League . . . Born Jan. 5, 1928, at Toronto, Ont. . . . In six years as Cleveland Barons coach, he qualified five years for AHL playoffs . . . Regarded as smart bench coach and administrator.

ALL-TIME SEAL LEADERS

GOALS: Norm Ferguson, 34, 1968-69
ASSISTS: Ted Hampson, 49, 1968-69
POINTS: Ted Hampson, 75, 1968-69
SHUTOUTS: Gary Smith, 4, 1968-69
Gilles Meloche, 4, 1971-72

Test Your Hockey IQ

By Joel Pisetzner

1. Which goalie had the most career shutouts (103)? (a) Terry Sawchuk (b) Glenn Hall (c) Johnny Bower
2. Which NHL team has had the most coaches?
3. Of these stars, only one won the Hart Award as the NHL's Most Valuable Player more than once: (a) Andy Bathgate (b) Maurice Richard (c) Toe Blake (d) Jean Beliveau
4. Who are the two men who coached three NHL teams?
5. Who are the only goalie brothers ever to oppose each other in the playoffs?
6. Who among the following skaters does not share the record for the most goals scored in one game by a defenseman (4)? (a) John McKinnon (b) Bobby Orr (c) Hap Day
7. Which goalie has started most often in the All-Star Game? (a) Bill Durnan (b) Terry Sawchuk (c) Glenn Hall (d) Jacques Plante
8. Which was the first U.S. club to join the NHL?
9. Who has refereed the most playoff games (105)?
10. Match the name of the team with the name of its line:

1. Detroit	a. Kid Line
2. Boston	b. Luxury Line
3. Toronto	c. French Connection
4. Buffalo	d. Kraut Line
5. Winnipeg	e. Production Line

11. Which NHL rink has the largest seating capacity?
12. Who is the Calder Trophy winner still active with the longest tenure in the NHL?
13. Which team had the highest-scoring line ever for one NHL season? Identify the members of the line.
14. What is the Art Ross Trophy?
15. Which goalie holds the modern record for the most shutouts in one season? (a) Tony Esposito (b) Gump Worsley (c) Jacques Plante
16. Has there ever been a season in which the Stanley Cup playoffs did not have an overtime game?
17. What are the records for most penalties and most penalty minutes in one game, and who holds them?
18. Who was the youngest goalie ever in Stanley Cup play?

(For answers see page 259)

NHL TV/RADIO ROUND-UP

ATLANTA FLAMES

Jiggs MacDonald does the play-by-play and Jim Huber the commentary for all games on radio station WGST (920), and also for 20 televised games on WSB-TV (Channel 2).

CALIFORNIA GOLDEN SEALS

Broadcasting arrangements pending.

CHICAGO BLACK HAWKS

Jim West is at the microphone for the play-by-play description on WGN-TV (Channel 9) for road games and Lloyd Pettit and Bob Elson provide the radio commentary on station WMAQ (670) for home games.

LOS ANGELES KINGS

Kings' games are seen on KTLA (Channel 5) and heard on radio station KFI (640), with Roy Storey doing the play-by-play accounts and Dan Avey handling the color commentary.

MINNESOTA NORTH STARS

Twin Cities coverage is provided on WTCN-TV (Channel 11) and radio station WCCO (830) with Hal Kelly doing the television play-by-play and Joe Boyle the color. On radio, it's Al Shaver with the game descriptions and Larry Jagoe assisting on the commentary.

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS

WTAF-TV (Channel 29) telecasts away and some home games, while WCAU (1210) provides radio coverage for all games, home and away. Gene Hart and Don Earle handle the microphones for both.

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS

Bill Hamilton does the broadcasting over radio station KDKA (1020) and television station WPGH-TV (Channel 53).

ST. LOUIS BLUES

With Dan Kelly on the play-by-play and former NHL defenseman Gus Kyle on the commentary, radio station KMOX (1120) carries all home and away games. KPLR-TV (Channel 11) is the TV outlet.

BOSTON BRUINS

Fred Cusick and John Pierson handle the play-by-play over television station WSBK-TV (Channel 38), while Bob Wilson is in the radio booth for the broadcasts on station WBZ (1030).

BUFFALO SABRES

Ted Darling, Pat Hannigan and Rick Azar cover the games on WBKW-TV (Channel 7) and Darling and Rick Jeanneret share the microphone for WGR (550).

DETROIT RED WINGS

The broadcasting team of Budd Lynch and Bruce Martyn provides both radio and television commentary. The telecasts are on WKBD-TV (Channel 50), while the radio outlet is station WWJ (950).

MONTREAL CANADIENS

Three television stations, CBMT (Channel 6), CFCF-TV (Channel 12) and CBFT (Channel 2) and radio stations CBM (950) and CBF (700) provide coverage for Canadien games. Danny Gallivan and Dick Irvin handle the broadcasts in English while Rene Lecavalier does the play-by-play in French with former Canadien star Gilles Tremblay providing the commentary.

NEW YORK ISLANDERS

Al Albert provides coverage on radio station WHN (1050). station WHN (1050).

NEW YORK RANGERS

Bill Chadwick and Jim Gordon cover road games on WOR-TV (Channel 9). Marv Albert broadcasts over WNBC (660).

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS

Foster Hewitt, who has been doing Maple Leaf games since 1923; and Bill Hewitt handle both the radio and television coverage. The TV stations are CBLT (Channel 6) and CFTO (Channel 9), while the radio stations are CKFH (1430) and CBL (740).

VANCOUVER CANUCKS

Jim Robson does the radio play-by-play over station CKNW (980), while the television coverage via the "Hockey Night in Canada" comes on CBC (Channel 2) and CHAN (Channel 8).

Inside the WHA

By
REYN DAVIS
Winnipeg Free Press

CHARLES HALLMAN
St. Paul Dispatch
Pioneer Press

PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH	EAST	WEST
	New England	Winnipeg
	Cleveland	Houston
	Quebec	Los Angeles
	New York	Minnesota
	Chicago	Edmonton
	Toronto	Vancouver

WORLD TROPHY: Cleveland

Two new cities. Four new names. Big, bold offers for existing franchises. Only one original surviving owner. A champion to catch.

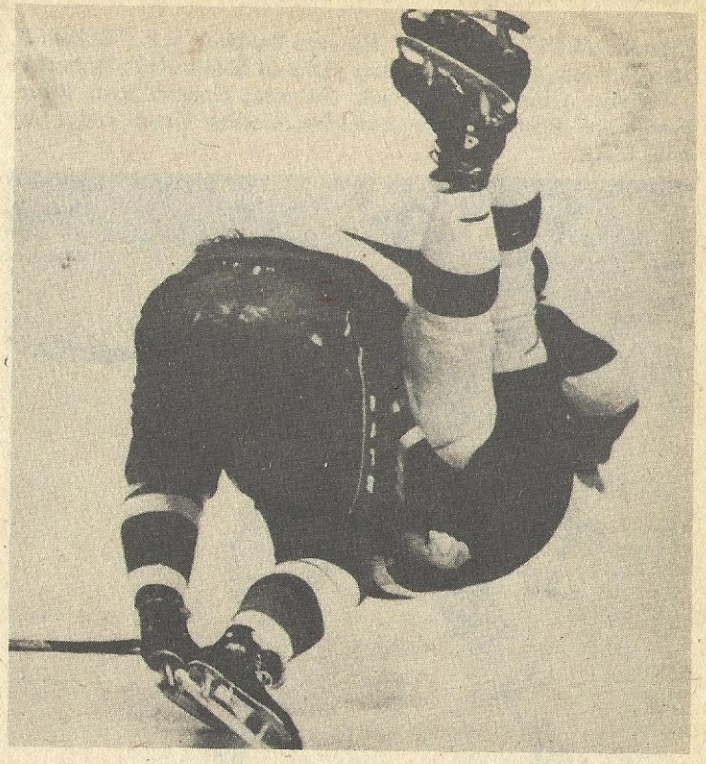
But the biggest news of all was another big signing, only this time an entire family. If Bobby Hull ever felt lonely about the understandable dearth of big-name company in the beginning, he could feel relieved to see Gordie Howe and his two sons, Marty and Mark, sign with the Houston Aeros. Houston's father-and-sons act promised to be hockey's big story in the 1973-74 season.

Every team improved. Naturally, some made greater strides than others. But it seemed certain a good product was going to be considerably better as each team tried desperately to match the standard set by the champion New England Whalers.

Vancouver businessman Jim Pattison bought the Blazers from Philadelphia, then traded the league scoring champion Andre Lacroix to New York and the Golden Blades whose new Madison Avenue owners scrapped the nickname Raiders.

Toronto blue-bloods, led by John Bassett Jr., bought the Ottawa Nationals from Buffalo entrepreneur Nick Trbovich and re-named the club the Toros. All they lacked was a building.

Brian Shaw, one of Canada's most successful junior hockey coaches, accepted the coaching reins of the Edmonton Oilers, formerly the Alberta Oilers. Jacques Plante hung up his pads,



Toro Rick Cunningham (left) vs. Whaler Larry Pleau.

miffed Boston Bruins and signed as coach and general manager of Quebec Les Nordiques.

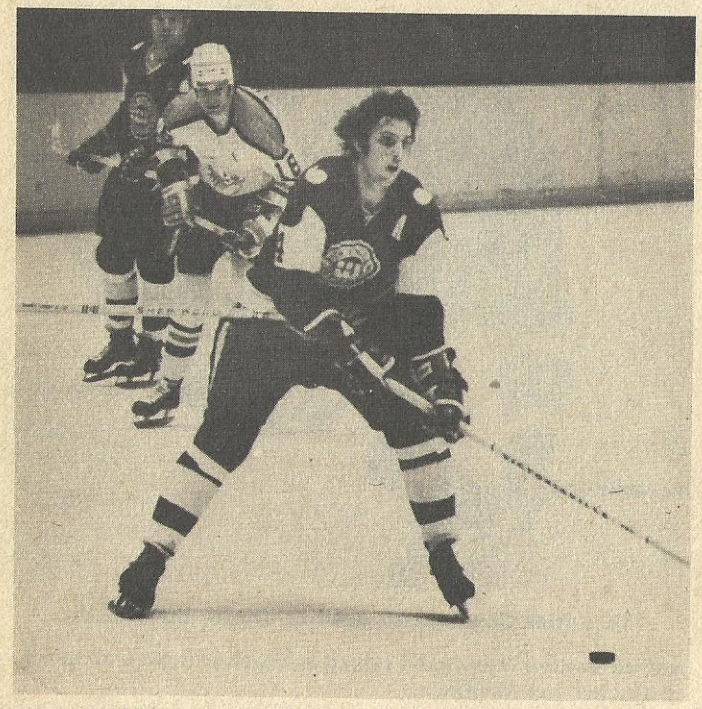
Meanwhile, the league's sole surviving original owner, gentle Ben Hatskin, the man who engineered the Bobby Hull coup, toyed with the idea of selling his Western Division champion Jets to interests in either Detroit or Milwaukee where offers were rising to over $5 million.

Yes, the WHA had something big and good and burgeoning. Down payments of $25,000 for a league franchise began to look awfully, awfully small.

And as a war raged for players, especially the young graduating juniors, it became entirely obvious that yes, indeed, this was the best profession of all if you could stand on two skates.

NEW ENGLAND WHALERS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Howard Baldwin; V.P.: William E. Barnes; Gen. Mgr.: Jack Kelley; Dir. of Media Rel.: Robert P. Donovan; Chief Scout: Jack Ferreira; Coach: Ron Ryan. Home ice: Boston Garden (14,994). Colors: Green and white with black.



Larry Pleau scored 39 goals for the WHA champions.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Drop the puck and duck. If Tom Webster doesn't get you, then Terry Caffery will. Tie a cannonball around Larry Pleau's leg, and Mike Byers will pick up the slack. Pick up the wings, and Tim Sheehy will bust through your middle like a runaway express train.

Big, bruising clubs can beat the Whalers. The Houston Aeros, Los Angeles Sharks and Alberta Oilers played .500

WHALERS ROSTER												
No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
14	Kevin Ahearn	LW	5-10	170	6-20-48/Boston, Mass.	New England	20	22	42	18
	Don Blackburn	LW	6-0	205	5-14-38/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Isl.-Minnesota	7	10	17	24
	Mike Byers	RW	5-10	185	9-11-46/Toronto, Ont.	LA-New Eng.	25	21	46	24
7	Terry Caffery	C	5-9	165	4-1-49/Toronto, Ont.	New England	39	61	100	14
	Bob Charlebois	C	5-11	170	5-27-44/Cornwall, Que.	Ottawa	24	39	63	28
17	John Cunniff	LW	5-9	175	7-9-44/So. Boston, Mass.	New England	3	5	8	16
12	John Danby	C	5-10	165	7-20-48/Toronto, Ont.	New England	14	23	37	10
10	Jim Dorey	D	6-1	190	8-17-47/Kingston, Ont.	New England	7	56	63	95
27	Tom Earl	RW	5-11	180	1-27-47/Niagara Falls, Ont.	New England	10	13	23	4
11	John French	C	5-11	175	8-25-50/Orillia, Ont.	New England	24	35	59	43
6	Ted Green	D	5-10	209	3-23-40/Ericksbare, Man.	New England	16	30	46	47
	Hugh Harris	LW	6-0	190	6-7-48/Toronto, Ont.	Cincinnati	7	7	14	37
						Buffalo	12	26	38	17
5	Paul Hurley	D	5-11	196	7-12-46/Everett, Mass.	New England	3	15	18	58
20	Ric Jordan	D	6-3	196	3-31-50/Toronto, Ont.	New England	1	5	6	12
	Al Karlander	LW-C	5-8	174	11-5-46/Lac LaHoche, B.C.	Detroit (NHL)	15	22	37	25
2	Rick Ley	D	5-9	185	11-2-48/Orillia, Ont.	New England	3	27	30	108
4	Larry Pleau	C	6-1	185	6-29-47/Boston, Mass.	New England	39	48	87	42
3	Brad Selwood	D	6-1	188	3-18-49/Leamington, Ont.	New England	13	21	34	114
15	Tim Sheehy	RW	6-1	185	9-3-48/Ft. Frances, Ont.	New England	33	38	71	30
	Guy Smith	RW	6-1	180	1-2-50/Ottawa, Ont.	New England	3	4	7	6
						NE-RI (EHL)	18	47	65	53
8	Tom Webster	LW	5-10	185	10-4-48/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	New England	53	50	103	89
9	Tom Williams	RW	5-11	177	4-17-40/Duluth, Minn.	New England	10	21	31	14
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
	Gerry Gray	G	6-0	165	1-28-48/Brantford, Ont.	Islanders (NHL)	1	5	0	5.00
						New Haven	35	156	0	4.51
30	Bruce Landon	G	5-9	180	10-5-49/Kingston, Ont.	New England	30	100	1	3.59
1	Al Smith	G	6-1	200	11-10-45/Toronto, Ont.	New England	51	162	3	3.17

hockey or better against the Whalers. All three clubs were slow, heavy-checking teams from the far-off Western Division.

The Whalers love to freewheel. Give them room to move and they'll whip almost any WHA team. Their spark generates from the centers, namely Caffery (39 goals, 61 assists), Pleau (39-48) and Sheehy (33-38). They are young with excellent futures. A fourth good center is Tommy Williams, a playoff hero with six goals and 11 assists. Capable wingers are Webster, Bob Charlebois (gained from Toronto), John French and Byers.

DEFENSE: The rarest commodity in hockey today is decent defensemen. The Whalers have one of the finest collection of defensemen in professional ranks. And general manager Jack Kelley knows it. "Our defense is as good as anybody's," says Kelley, ticking off the names of Brad Selwood, Jim Dorey, Rick Ley, Ted Green and Paul Hurley.

Hurley, the only dubious one of the bunch, profited immensely playing in his fellows' company. The five of them were tough. The stocky Ley and burly Selwood belong among the league's top 10 defensemen. Dorey was a second-team all-star, stealing away just long enough to lead spirited rushes up the ice. More than 100 points were collected between Dorey (7-56) and Green (16-30).

Goaltending saved the Whalers many a night. The doughty Al Smith and his squat understudy, Bruce Landon, gave their teammates the freedom to concentrate on offense. Smith alone beat Winnipeg eight times in nine meetings.

OUTLOOK: By winning the first World Trophy championship the Whalers set the standard of excellence in the WHA. Other teams spent the summer devising ways to catch them. But youngsters such as Sheehy, French, John Danby and Hurley should naturally benefit by the experience of their first season to keep the Whalers No. 1.

WHALER PROFILES

TOM WEBSTER 25 5-10 178 **Forward**

Hawkeye led Whalers in scoring in first WHA season . . . Master of many shots, the Kirkland Lake, Ont., native had 53 goals and 50 assists for 103 points in regular campaign, then added 12 goals and 14 assists in World Trophy playoffs . . . Born Oct. 4, 1948 . . . Played three years for old Niagara Falls Flyers of OHA, including a 50-goal year in 1967-68 . . . Had

two 29-goal CHL seasons . . . Then 30 in NHL rookie year with Detroit . . . Traded to California Seals, Hawkeye missed most of 1971-72 with injuries . . . Big favorite in Boston area . . . Avid golfer.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Boston	9	0	2	2
1969-70	Boston	2	0	1	1
1970-71	Detroit R.W.	78	30	37	67
1971-72	Det.RW-Calif.	12	3	2	5
	Totals	101	33	42	75
1972-73	New England	77	53	50	103

MIKE BYERS 27 5-10 185 **Forward**

Mike had 25 goals in first WHA season, splitting the campaign between L.A. Sharks and Whalers . . . Added six scores in playoffs . . . Had big year with NHL L.A. Kings in 1970-71, leading team in scoring with 27 goals . . . Traded to Buffalo following year . . . Production fell off to 13 goals with Sabres although he missed part of that year due to injuries . . . Born Sept. 11, 1946, in Toronto . . . Mike played junior with Toronto Marlies . . . Only played 15 games in two years with Maple Leafs, also saw limited duty with Philadelphia Flyers.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Toronto M.L.	10	2	2	4
1968-69	Tor.ML-Phila.F.	10	0	2	2
1970-71	Los Angeles	72	27	18	45
1971-72	L.A.-Buffalo	74	13	12	25
	Totals	166	42	34	76
1972-73	LA-N. England	75	25	21	46

TERRY CAFFERY 24 5-9 165 **Forward**

Terry became first WHA "Rookie of the Year" with banner inaugural with Whalers . . . Helmeted Toronto native had 100 points off 39 goals and 61 assists . . . Born April 1, 1949 . . . One of the better stickhandlers in the game . . . Was AHL's top rookie in 1971-72 when he had 88 points for old Cleveland Barons . . . Former first draft pick of the Chicago Black Hawks . . . Went to Minnesota North Stars in exchange for Danny O'Shea in Feb. 1971, but not used by Stars . . . Played

junior hockey for Toronto Marlies and then was with Canadian Nationals . . . Clutch shooter.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Chicago	6	0	0	0
1970-71	Minnesota	8	0	0	0
	Totals	14	0	0	0
1972-73	New England	74	39	61	100

TED GREEN 33 5-10 210 — **Defenseman**

Ted's last game in the minors was in 1960 . . . After many years with the Boston Bruins, "Terrible Ted" bolted to WHA last season, having big offensive year with 16 goals and 30 assists . . . Born March 23, 1940 in Ericksbare, Man. . . . Missed a full year in 1969-70 after notorious stick-swinging incident with Wayne Maki in exhibition season left him partially paralyzed . . . Three times had 40 or more points with Bruins, with 42 in 1970-71 . . . Made NHL All-Star team in 1967-68 . . . Garnered reputation as tough guy, now more of a smoothie.

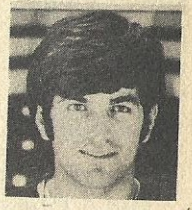
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1960-61	Boston	1	0	0	0
1961-62	Boston	66	3	8	11
1962-63	Boston	70	1	11	12
1963-64	Boston	70	4	10	14
1964-65	Boston	70	8	27	35
1965-66	Boston	27	5	13	18
1966-67	Boston	47	6	10	16
1967-68	Boston	72	7	36	43
1968-69	Boston	65	8	38	46
1970-71	Boston	78	5	37	42
1971-72	Boston	54	1	16	17
	Totals	620	48	206	254
1972-73	New England	78	16	30	46

TIM SHEEHY 25 6-1 185 — **Forward**

One of the top products of American hockey . . . Sheehy is from International Falls, Minn., although he was born two miles inside Canada, Sept. 3, 1948 . . . Once called by Scotty Bowman "best 15-year-old hockey player I've seen" . . . Had

33 goals and 71 points as WHA rookie and added 23 more points in playoffs . . . Handsome bachelor played two years for U.S. national and Olympic teams . . . Twice a first-team All-American at Boston College where he set all-time records . . . Has very close ties with Kennedy family.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	New England	78	33	38	71



LARRY PLEAU 26 6-1 185 — **Forward**

A Lynn, Mass., native, Pleau returned to New England a year ago from the Montreal Canadiens . . . Born June 29, 1947 . . . Larry hammered in 39 goals in first WHA season, adding 12 more in playoffs . . . One of the first Americans to play junior hockey in Canada, Pleau skated three years for Montreal Junior Canadiens . . . Had 10 power play goals during regular season . . . Played on U.S. Olympic team in 1968 where he was teammate of Lou Nanne, Bob Paradise and Len Lilyholm, also in pro hockey now . . . First player signed to Whaler contract.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Montreal C.	20	1	0	1
1970-71	Montreal C.	19	1	5	6
1971-72	Montreal C.	55	7	10	17
	Totals	94	9	15	24
1972-73	New England	78	39	48	87

BOB CHARLEBOIS 29 5-11 170 — **Forward**

For years a journeyman minor leaguer, Bob had an excellent season for the Nats in 1972-73 . . . Had 24 goals and 39 assists and was team's third leading scorer . . . An excellent penalty killer . . . Born in Cornwall, Ont., May 27, 1944 . . . Played his junior hockey for the Montreal Junior Canadiens . . . Taken in first NHL expansion by Minnesota, was sent to Rochester in trade that brought Jean-Paul Parise to the North Stars . . . Hurt much of 1971-72, Charleboise missed

all but six games of the season with Tulsa of the CHL . . . Smooth skater.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Minnesota	7	1	0	1
1972-73	Ottawa	78	24	39	63

AL SMITH 28 6-1 200 **Goaltender**

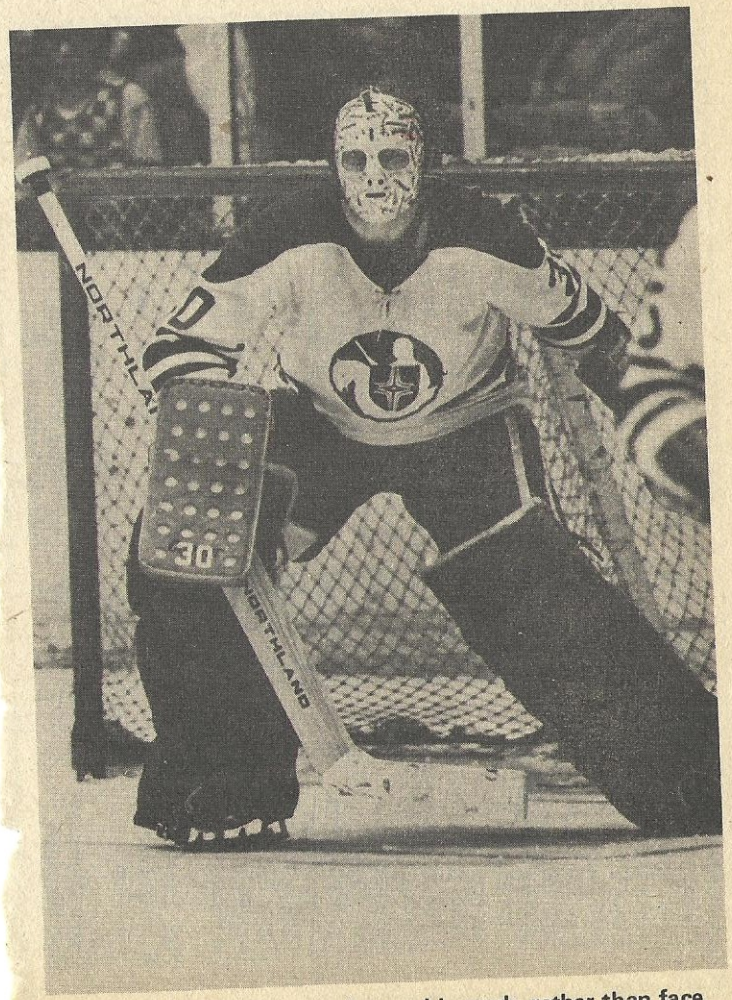
Had 3.17 goals-against average with Whalers last season . . . Played 15 games in Avco-World Trophy playoffs, winning 12 of them . . . Toronto native had 3.23 g.a.a. in playoffs . . . Born Nov. 10, 1945 . . . Smitty is known for his aggressiveness . . . Fined several times for fighting in NHL . . . Had 39 penalty minutes last season . . . Was regular in three NHL seasons for Pittsburgh and Detroit . . . Had 3.03 g.a.a. with Pittsburgh in 1969-70 in 46 games . . . Also played part of three seasons with Toronto . . . Part time journalist . . . Loves to fish.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	1-1/3	2	0	1.50
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	1	5	0	5.00
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	5-2/3	16	0	2.82
1969-70	Pittsburgh Pe.	42	129	2	3.03
1970-71	Pittsburgh Pe.	41-1/3	128	2	3.10
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	42-2/3	135	4	3.24
	Totals	134	415	8	3.12
1972-73	New England	51	162	3	3.17

COACH RON RYAN: Took the coaching reins this season from Jack Kelley, who remains as general manager and long-time friend . . . They first met in 1958, when Kelley was coach of the Colby College hockey team . . . Ryan soon became his star player, setting NCAA season scoring record (104 points) . . . Went on to coach the teams at Pennsylvania, Merrimack and Colgate . . . Followed Kelley to the Whalers, serving as his assistant GM. . . . Born July 11, 1938 . . . Wellard, Ont., native has a master's degree.

CLEVELAND CRUSADERS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Nick J. Mileti; Alt. Trustee: Stephen Zayac, Jr.; Pub. Rel.: Bob Brown; Gen. Mgr.: Jack Vivian; Coach: Bill Needham. Home Ice: Cleveland Sports Arena (9,500). Colors: Crusader black and purple.



Gerry Cheevers wears stitches on his mask, rather than face.

CRUSADERS ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born
21	Paul Andrea	RW	5-10	170	7-31-41/No. Sydney, N.S.
8	Blake Ball	D	6-3	210	2-25-38/Berks Falls, Ont.
9	Doug Brindley	C	5-11	175	6-8-49/Walkerton, Ont.
10	Ron Buchanan	C	6-3	170	11-15-44/Montreal, Que.
6	Ray Clearwater	D	5-11	175	11-10-42/Winnipeg, Man.
24	Bob Dillabough	C	5-11	170	4-24-41/Belleville, Ont.
16	Grant Erickson	LW	5-9	165	4-28-47/Pierceland, Sask.
2	John Hanna	D	5-10	185	4-5-35/Sydney, N.S.
25	Joe Hardy	C	6-0	185	12-5-44/Kenogami, Que.
11	Ted Hodgson	RW	5-11	175	6-30-45/Hobbema, Alta.
4	Ralph Hopiavuori	D	6-1	185	7-15-51/Kirkland Lake, Ont.
26	Bill Horton	D	6-0	180	9-5-46/Lindsay, Ont.
12	Gary Jarrett	LW	5-8	180	9-3-42/Toronto, Ont.
17	Skip Krake	C	5-11	170	10-14-43/No. Battleford, Sask.
22	Jim McMasters	D	5-10	185	9-20-52/Newton, Alta.
5	Wayne Muloin	D	5-8	175	12-24-41/Dryden, Ont.
	Robbie Neale	C	6-0	190	4-17-53/
7	Gerry Pinder	LW	5-8	165	9-15-48/Saskatoon, Sask.
23	Dick Pumple	C	6-3	200	11-2-48/Kirkland Lake, Ont.
19	Al Rycroft	C-RW	5-9	170	1-9-50/Beaver Lodge, Alta.
3	Paul Shmyr	D	6-1	190	1-28-46/Cudworth, Sask.
	Russ Walker	RW	6-2	180	
14	Jim Wiste	RW-C	5-10	185	2-8-46/Moose Jaw, Sask.
30	Gerry Cheevers	G	5-11	185	12-7-40/St. Catharines, Ont.
1	Bob Whidden	G	5-10	165	7-27-46/Sudbury, Ont.

1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
Cleveland	21	30	51	12
Syracuse	2	26	28	110
Cleveland	15	11	26	6
Cleveland	37	44	81	20
Cleveland	11	36	47	41
Cleveland	8	8	16	8
Cleveland	15	29	44	23
Cleveland	6	20	26	71
Cleveland	17	33	50	80
Cleveland	15	23	38	93
Cleveland	4	5	9	44
Cleveland	2	17	19	55
Cleveland	40	38	78	79
Cleveland	9	10	19	61
Cleveland	1	7	8	37
Cleveland	2	13	15	64
Brandon	41	57	98	94
Cleveland	30	36	66	121
Cleveland	21	20	41	45
Cleveland	0	2	2	0
Syracuse	50	50	100	32
Cleveland	5	44	49	169
Saskatoon	42	38	80	193
Cleveland	28	43	71	24
	GP	GA	SO	Avg.
Cleveland	52	149	5	2.83
Cleveland	26	88	0	3.28

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: New England could boast about its discovery of Terry Caffery. Winnipeg was especially proud of Norm Beaudin. But when they lifted Ron Buchanan from the minors, the Crusaders' catch ranked with them all.

Buchanan, skinny at 6-3 and only 170 pounds, came out of Denver to score 37 goals and arrange 44 more. His good reach, heady playmaking and placid temperament helped Cleveland finish a solid second.

Good balance is a Cleveland feature. Diggers like Gary Jarrett (40-38), Jim Wiste (28-43) and Gerry Pinder (30-36) were nicely complemented by such sizeable forwards as Joe Hardy, Doug Brindley and Rich Pumple.

A new face to watch is Robbie Neale who, if given a chance, has the muscle and moves to give the Crusaders some added firepower and increased depth.

DEFENSE: Losing their tried and trusty leader, John Hanna, didn't help. A violent collision with Winnipeg's Dunc Rousseau cast Hanna's career in doubt. Until then, Hanna was skating like a kid.

One of the two best defensemen in the league decorates the Cleveland blueline. Paul Shmyr has the keen capacity to hit just the right people to dull a team's zip. And when he hits, it's usually for keeps.

Terry Ball, from Minnesota, will help the brains department. Ray Clearwater is grossly underestimated. Efforts to nab Dallas Smith and Don Awrey from Boston failed. The Crusaders still need one more big man to ease Shmyr's hitting load.

Goal is in the capable hands of Gerry Cheevers, whose reputation as a clutch player was enhanced again last year.

OUTLOOK: Pinder has the capacity to explode into the high 40s or low 50s as a scorer. Like most players, Pinder spent his first year acquainting himself. Neale can't afford to ride his junior hockey clippings. In short, the Crusaders need an increased and steady output of goals to capitalize on the stingiest defense and goaltender in the league.

CRUSADER PROFILES

GARY JARRETT 31 5-8 180 — Forward

A little left winger, Jarrett has been a top player since graduating from juniors and the Toronto Marlboros in 1962 . . . After four 20-goal seasons in the minors, Gary finally made the NHL for good in 1966-67 with Detroit . . . After an 18-goal year with the Wings, he was dealt to California . . . Had 54 goals and 71 assists in four years with the Seals . . . Toronto native was born Sept. 3, 1942 . . . Best NHL year was 1968-69 when he had 22 goals and 23 assists . . . With the Crusaders had 1.01 points per game average . . . A real hustler.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1960-61	Toronto M.L.	1	0	0	0
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	4	0	0	0
1967-68	Detroit R.W.	68	18	21	39
1968-69	Oakland	63	22	23	45
1969-70	Oakland	75	12	19	31
1970-71	California	75	15	19	34
1971-72	California	55	5	10	15
	Totals	341	72	92	164
1972-73	Cleveland	77	40	38	78

GERRY PINDER 25 5-8 165 — Forward

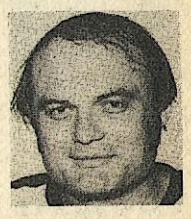
Pinder is one of those extremely rare players who has never played in the minors . . . Jumped straight from Canadian Nats into Chicago Black Hawk uniform, having 19 goals and 20 assists in his rookie campaign of 1969-70 . . . After another year with the Hawks, was dealt to California where he led the Seals in goals with 23 . . . Saskatoon, Sask., native was born Sept. 15, 1948 . . . In last year of juniors, totalled 78 goals and incredible 140 points in WCJL . . . Had 30 goals and 36 assists for Crusaders last season . . . Very tough in late stages of game.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Chicago	75	19	20	39
1970-71	Chicago	74	13	18	31
1971-72	California	74	23	31	54
	Totals	223	55	69	124
1972-73	Cleveland	78	30	36	66

JIM WISTE 27 5-10 185 — Forward

A great collegian at Denver University, an All-America and co-captain his senior year . . . Best year as a pro came in 1968-69 when he had 32 goals and 44 assists for Dallas of the CHL . . . Last year chimed in 28 goals and 43 assists for Crusaders . . . Got in a memorable brawl in St. Paul with fan which proved most controversial . . . Moose Jaw, Sask., native played in NHL for both Chicago and Vancouver . . . Born Feb. 8, 1946 . . . Wiste split 1971-72 between Rochester and Providence of the AHL and Seattle of the WHL.

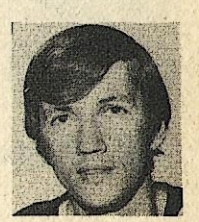
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Chicago	3	0	0	0
1969-70	Chicago	26	0	8	8
1970-71	Vancouver	23	1	2	3
	Totals	59	1	10	11
1972-73	Cleveland	70	28	43	71



RON BUCHANAN 29 6-3 170 — Forward

Always a great scorer, Buchanan finally got a major league chance in 1972-73 and responded by leading the Crusaders with 37 goals and 44 assists for 81 points . . . Averaged 1.08 points per game . . . Had two 50-goal seasons as a junior in Oshawa . . . Bucky had six seasons of 20 goals or more in the minor leagues . . . Best season was 38 goals and 42 assists with Denver of the Western League in 1971-72 . . . Montreal native had brief NHL chances with Boston and St. Louis . . . Born Nov. 15, 1944 . . . Has quick left-handed shot.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1966-67	Boston	3	0	0	0
1969-70	St. Louis B.	2	0	0	0
	Totals	5	0	0	0
1972-73	Cleveland	75	37	44	81



TERRY BALL 29 5-8 165 — Defenseman

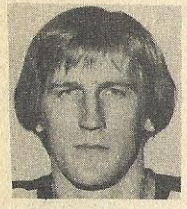
Came to Crusaders in Rick Smith deal . . . Had 40 points for Minnesota Fighting Saints in 1972-73 . . . Should shore up leaky Crusader defense . . . Born Selkirk, Man., Nov. 29,

1944 . . . One of the great hip checkers in the game . . . Best NHL season was with Philadelphia in 1969-70 when he had seven goals and 18 assists for 25 points . . . Had 17 goals and 39 assists for Cincinnati of AHL in 1971-72 . . . Made all star squad in WHA first season . . . Top playoff performer . . . A rusher who can also play point on power play . . . Hard low shooter.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Philadelphia F.	1	0	0	0
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	61	7	18	25
1970-71	Buffalo	2	0	0	0
1971-72	Buffalo	10	0	1	1
	Totals	74	7	19	26
1972-73	Minnesota	78	6	34	40

PAUL SHMYR 27 5-10 170 **Defenseman**

Always a top performer, Shmyr earned many an All-Star Game nod after a superb season with the Crusaders in 1972-73 . . . Scored 49 points, including 44 assists despite missing five games because of injuries . . . Jumped to Cleveland from California after 27-point season . . . Played two seasons with Chicago Black Hawks in 1971 . . . Had 169 penalty minutes for Crusaders after 156 PIM season for Seals a year earlier . . . Born in Cudworth, Sask., Jan. 28, 1946, Shmyr now makes his home in British Columbia . . . Had two excellent minor league seasons with Dallas.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Chicago	3	1	0	1
1969-70	Chicago	24	0	4	4
1970-71	Chicago	57	1	12	13
1971-72	California	69	6	21	27
	Totals	153	8	37	45
1972-73	Cleveland	73	5	44	49

GERRY CHEEVERS 32 5-11 185 **Goaltender**

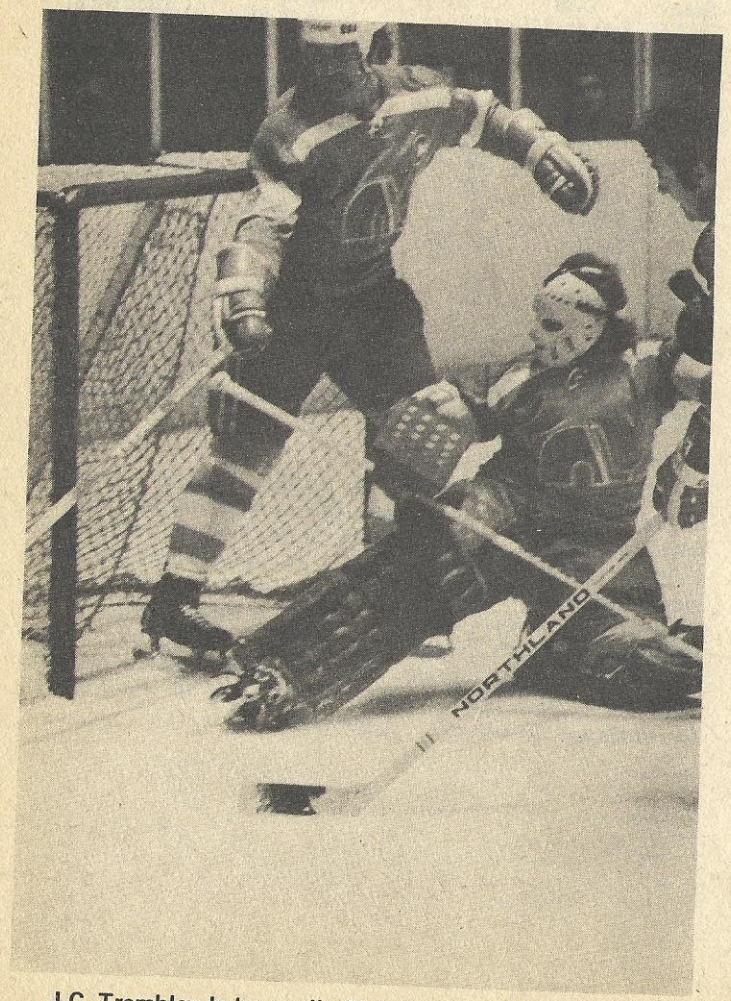
"Cheesey" led the World Hockey Association in goals-against average with 2.83 in 1972-73 . . . Won first all-star status . . . Born St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 7, 1940 . . . Gerry tended goal for six seasons for the Boston Bruins before joining the Crusaders . . . Three times had lower than 3.00 average with Bruins . . . Led Boston to pair of Stanley Cup titles . . . Best year was 1971-72 when had 2.50 mark . . . Included was a streak of 32 games without a loss, 27 of them wins . . . Was the first Crusader . . . A flopper, hard to beat low.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1961-62	Toronto M.L.	2	7	0	3.50
1965-66	Boston	5-2/3	34	0	6.00
1966-67	Boston	17-1/3	72	1	3.33
1967-68	Boston	44	125	3	2.84
1968-69	Boston	51-3/4	145	3	2.80
1969-70	Boston	39-3/4	108	4	2.72
1970-71	Boston	40	109	3	2.72
1971-72	Boston	40-1/3	101	2	2.50
	Totals	240-2/3	701	16	2.86
1972-73	Cleveland	52	149	5	2.83

COACH BILL NEEDHAM: A familiar face in Cleveland, having come out of the famous Baron coaching school along with Emile Francis, Glen Sonmor, Jack Gordon, Fred Glover, John McLellan and Fred Shero . . . The 41-year-old Needham played 16 seasons for the Barons . . . Coached Toledo of the International League in 1971-72 . . . Not signed originally as the Crusader coach, Needham sort of fell into the job . . . Won the Eddie Shore award as top AHL defenseman in 1967-68 . . . Best offensive year was in 1966-67 when he had five goals and 33 assists . . . Quiet man.

QUEBEC NORDIQUES

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: Jean Lesage; Pres.: Paul Racine; Pub. Rel.: Serge Lamarre; Gen. Mgr. and Coach: Jacques Plante. Home ice: Quebec Coliseum (10,000). Colors: Blue and white. Training camp: Quebec City, Que.



J.C. Tremblay helps goalie Rick Brodeur guard the net.

NORDIQUES ROSTER											
No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
9	Mike Archambault	LW	5-8	160	9-27-50/St. Hyacinthe, Que.	Quebec	12	25	37	36
17	Yves Bergeron	RW	5-9	160	1-11-52/Malartic, Que.	Quebec	14	19	33	32
	Serge Bernier	RW	6-1	190	4-29-47/Padoue, Que.	Los Angeles(NHL)	22	46	68	43
5	Jacques Blain	D	5-11	180	7-19-47/Gatineau, Que.	Quebec	1	10	11	76
	Alain Caron	RW	5-9	170	4-27-38/Dolbeau, Que.	Quebec	36	27	63	14
22	Ken Desjardine	D	6-0	180	8-23-47/Toronto, Ont.	Quebec	2	6	8	36
16	Andre Gaudette	C	5-6	160	12-16-47/Sherbrooke, Que.	Quebec	27	44	71	12
7	Jean-Guy Gendron	LW	5-9	165	8-30-34/Montreal, Que.	Quebec	18	33	51	113
	Jeannot Gilbert	C	5-9½	170	12-29-40/Grande Baie, Que.	Hershey	31	58	89	8
18	Rejean Giroux	RW	5-11	160	9-13-52/Quebec, Que.	Quebec	10	12	22	41
	Al Globensky	D	6-1	190	4-17-51/Montreal, Que.	Rhode Island(EHL)	0	0	0	0
11	Frank Golembrosky	RW	6-0	190	5-3-45/Calgary, Alta.	Phil.-Quebec	8	12	20	53
25	Bob Guindon	LW	5-9	160	11-19-50/Labelle, Que.	Quebec	27	28	55	31
6	Pierre Guite	LW	6-2	190	4-17-52/Montreal, Que.	Quebec	10	8	18	136
	Dale Hoganson	D	6-0	190	7-8-49/North Battleford, Sask.	Montreal(NHL)	0	2	2	2
14	Rejean Houle	C	5-11	165	10-25-49/Rouyn, Que.	Montreal	13	35	48	36
4	Frank Lacombe	D	5-9	185	2-2-48/Montreal, Que.	Quebec	10	18	28	123
14	Paul Larose	RW	5-8	155	1-11-50/Noranda, Que.	Quebec	0	7	7	7
						Syracuse	10	18	28	12
15	Rene Leclerc	RW	5-11	170	11-12-47/Ville DeVanier, Que.	Quebec	24	28	52	111
12	Mike Parizeau	LW	5-10	160	4-9-48/Montreal, Que.	Quebec	25	48	73	50
	Denis Patry	RW	–	–	–	Drummondville	57	53	110	147
8	Jean Payette	C	6-0	170	3-29-46/Cornwall, Ont.	Quebec	15	29	44	46
23	Mike Rouleau	C	5-10	170	9-28-44/Hull, Que.	Phil.-Quebec	7	15	22	157
2	Pierre Roy	D	6-0	172	3-12-52/Thetford Mines, Que.	Quebec	7	12	19	167
20	J.C. Tremblay	D	5-11	178	1-22-39/Bagotville, Que.	Quebec	14	75	89	32
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
1	Serge Aubrey	G	5-9	160	1-2-42/Montreal, Que.	Quebec	52	182	2	3.59
30	Richard Brodeur	G	5-6	142	9-15-52/Montreal, Que.	Quebec	24	102	0	4.75
	Michel DeGuise	G	5-8	150	11-6-51/Sorel, Que.	Nova Scotia	28	68	1	2.65
21	Jacques Lemelin	G	5-8	155	11-11-49/Quebec City, Que.	Quebec	9	29	0	4.00

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: When a defenseman is the team's No. 1 scorer, there is the natural implication that the club is weak offensively. In the Nordiques' case, unfortunately, the suspicion is true.

Their spark is usually generated by the cagey veteran, J.C. Tremblay (14-75), who, it seems, leaves the ice only when he's thirsty.

Tremblay thinks he can play forever. Slow to hit but quick to think, he could become the first major leaguer to play until he's 50 . . . 16 or so years from now.

The acquisition of Serge Bernier from the Los Angeles Kings should help considerably up front. Bernier was the Kings' No. 2 scorer. Michel DeGuise is a promising junior and Jeannot Gilbert, at 33, comes from Hershey with a reputation for savvy around the net.

Young incumbents Michel Parizeau (25-48), Andre Gaudette (27-44) and 22-year old Robert Guindon (27-28) could help Quebec win a playoff spot. So might Rejean Houle, who decided to make the switch from Montreal.

DEFENSE: Tremblay was the league's best defenseman a year ago, but he dwarfed his teammates in Quebec City. Obtaining someone to approach his stature was a high priority for coach and general manager Jacques Plante.

The loss of local junior product Andre Savard to the Boston Bruins hurt Les Nordiques. But they did sign Dale (Red) Hoganson, a highly-touted youngster from the Montreal Canadiens.

Plante, they say, simplified the art of playing defense in the National League. Former teammates say he preached a style that defensemen eagerly followed when Jacques was in goal.

If Plante can make Serge Aubry's task any easier by manipulating a young and sometimes erratic defense, then Quebec may be ready to erase some of those 313 goals they allowed last season.

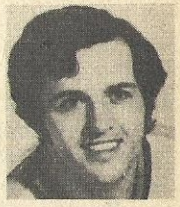
OUTLOOK: A terrible road record (11-28-0) must be straightened out if the Nordiques are to improve noticeably. Experienced travellers such as Plante, Hoganson, Tremblay, Bernier and Parizeau ought to lead the charge away from home. Quebec should be 20 per cent better.

NORDIQUE PROFILES

SERGE BERNIER 26 6-1 190 — **Forward**

Serge joins the Nordiques after three consecutive 20-goal seasons in NHL . . . Last season had 22 goals, 46 assists for L.A. Kings . . . Was team's second-leading scorer . . . Had 23 goals in each of previous two seasons for Flyers and Kings . . . Served as right point man on Kings' power play . . . Didn't play hockey until age of 15 . . . Skated for Quebec Aces as rookie pro . . . Jumped to Nordiques in May . . . Calls Quebec City his home although born Padoue, Que., April 29, 1947 . . . Played junior hockey in Sorel . . . Top penalty killer.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Philadelphia F.	1	0	0	0
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	1	0	1	1
1970-71	Philadelphia F.	77	23	28	51
1971-72	Phila. F.-L.A.	70	23	22	45
1972-73	Los Angeles	75	22	46	68
	Totals	224	68	97	165



MICHEL PARIZEAU 25 5-10 160 — **Forward**

Mike led Nordique forwards in scoring in 1972-73 . . . Native of Montreal had best season with Omaha in Central League in 1970-71 when he popped in 35 goals and added 49 assists . . . Split next year between St. Louis Blues and Philadelphia Flyers . . . Had 10 power play scores for Nordiques last season . . . Born April 9, 1948, Parizeau played junior for Drummondville and was drafted by the Rangers . . . Not a smooth skater, gets the job done . . . Heady performer, one of the quickest wits on team.

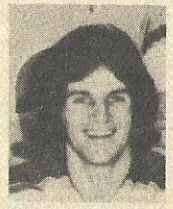
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	St. L.B.-Phila. F.	58	3	14	17
1972-73	Quebec	75	25	48	73

RENALD LECLERC 26 5-11 170 — **Forward**

Rennie had some bad injuries in 1972-73 but still managed 24 goals and 52 points for Nordiques . . . Extremely strong

skater who likes to go wide of defenseman and come in alone . . . Born Ville de Vanier, Que., Nov. 12, 1947 . . . Played junior hockey in Hamilton . . . Had 31 goals and 73 points for Junior Wings in 1967-68 . . . Spent part of two NHL seasons with Detroit . . . Has a temper; in 1969-70, picked up 106 penalty minutes with Cleveland.

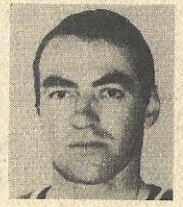
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	43	2	3	5
1970-71	Detroit R.W.	44	8	8	16
	Totals	87	10	11	21
1972-73	Quebec	67	24	28	52



JEAN-GUY GENDRON 39 5-9 165 **Forward**

One of hockey's ageless wonders . . . Jean-Guy graduated from junior hockey Trois-Rivières in 1953-54 . . . Played 15 full NHL seasons before joining Nordiques last season . . . Played for Rangers, Bruins, Canadiens and Flyers . . . Five 20-goal seasons as NHLer, 10 as a pro . . . Had 18 goals and 33 assists for Nordiques in 1972-73 . . . Born Aug. 30, 1934 in Montreal . . . Was talked out of retiring by Jacques Plante . . . Plans to retire in Quebec, which he says he loves . . . Great penalty killer.

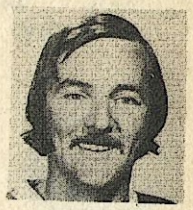
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1955-56	New York R.	63	5	7	12
1956-57	New York R.	70	9	6	15
1957-58	New York R.	70	10	17	27
1958-59	Boston	60	15	9	24
1959-60	Boston	67	24	11	35
1960-61	Bos.-Mont. C.	66	10	19	29
1961-62	New York R.	69	14	11	25
1962-63	Boston	66	21	22	43
1963-64	Boston	54	5	13	18
1967-68	Philadelphia F.	1	0	1	1
1968-69	Philadelphia F.	74	20	35	55
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	71	23	21	44
1970-71	Philadelphia F.	76	20	16	36
1971-72	Philadelphia F.	56	6	13	19
	Totals	859	182	201	383
1972-73	Quebec	63	18	33	51



JEAN-CLAUDE TREMBLAY 34 5-11 178 **Defenseman**

One of the top players in hockey . . . J.C. had superb year in 1972-73: 14 goals, 75 assists, 89 points . . . Always the top offensive defenseman with the Montreal Canadiens, Tremblay played 12 full seasons with the Habs before going to Quebec . . . Born Jan. 22, 1939 in Bagotville, Que. . . . J.C. netted 57 lifetime NHL goals and 306 lifetime assists . . . Has great puck control . . . Tireless performer.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1959-60	Montreal C.	11	0	1	1
1960-61	Montreal C.	29	1	3	4
1961-62	Montreal C.	70	3	17	20
1962-63	Montreal C.	69	1	17	18
1963-64	Montreal C.	70	5	16	21
1964-65	Montreal C.	68	3	17	20
1965-66	Montreal C.	59	6	29	35
1966-67	Montreal C.	60	8	26	34
1967-68	Montreal C.	73	4	26	30
1968-69	Montreal C.	75	7	32	39
1969-70	Montreal C.	58	2	19	21
1970-71	Montreal C.	76	11	52	63
1971-72	Montreal C.	76	6	51	57
	Totals	794	57	306	363
1972-73	Quebec	75	14	75	89



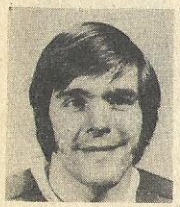
DALE HOGANSON 24 5-10 190 **Defenseman**

"Red" joining the Nordiques means a reunion with J.C. Tremblay . . . Hoganson is native of North Battleford, Sask., where he was born July 8, 1949 . . . Started in NHL as 20-year-old with Kings . . . Was regular for Los Angeles before going to Canadiens in trade . . . Split last two seasons between Nova Scotia and Montreal . . . Actually jumped to Nordiques in January . . . Not much of a scorer but an artist on point . . . Can knock anyone down.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Los Angeles	49	1	7	8
1970-71	Los Angeles	70	4	10	14
1971-72	L.A.-Mont. C.	31	1	2	3
1972-73	Montreal C.	26	0	2	2
	Totals	176	6	21	27

REJEAN HOULE 24 5-11 165 **Forward**

Rejean had his best season in the NHL in 1972-73 when he fired in 48 points for the Montreal Canadiens . . . He then enjoyed a great playoff series, winning two key games for the Stanley Cup champions . . . In four pro seasons, the Rouyn, Que., native played only 27 minor league games . . . Centered Marc Tardif and Guy Lafleur last season . . . Born Oct. 25, 1949 . . . A top performer in junior hockey with the Junior Canadiens . . . Very quick around the net . . . Should be a hero in Quebec City.

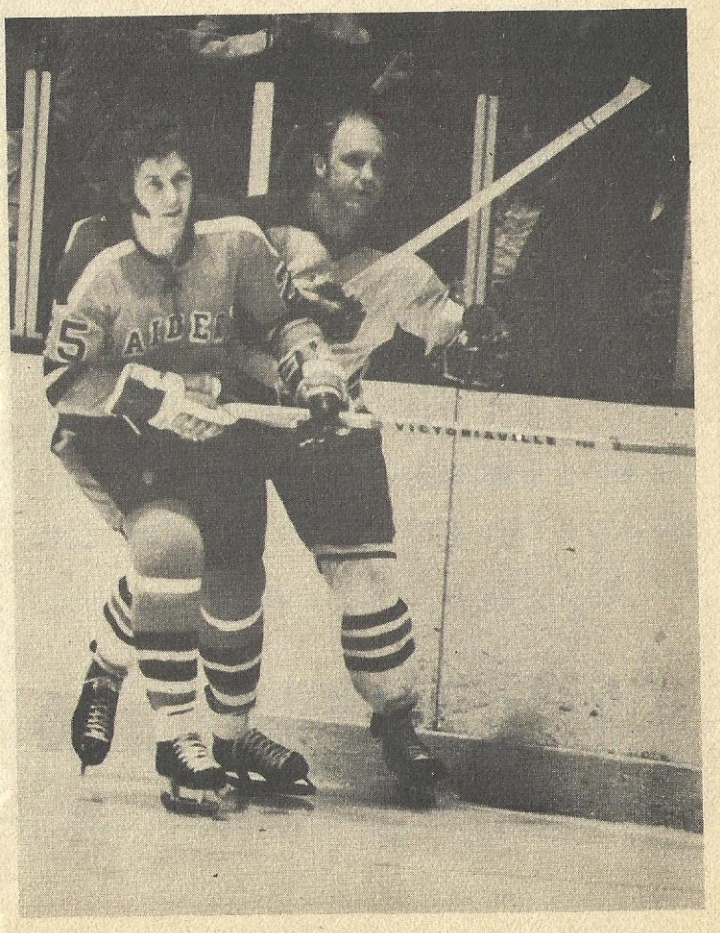


Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Montreal C.	66	10	9	19
1971-72	Montreal C.	77	11	17	28
1972-73	Montreal C.	72	13	35	48
	Totals	224	34	62	96

COACH JACQUES PLANTE: Getting the 44-year-old goaltending great had to be great for the Nordiques . . . Plante revolutionized the game by creating the goalie mask . . . Seven times Vezina Trophy winner as NHL's top goaltender . . . Three times first team all star, four times on second unit . . . Won NHL most valuable trophy—Hart Award— in 1962 . . . Twice had incredible goals-against average of less than two . . . The first of the roamers . . . Jacques signed 10-year contract as general manager and coach of Nordiques after playoffs with Bruins . . . Known as Jake the Snake.

NEW YORK GOLDEN BLADES

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Ralf Brent; V.P. and Treas.: Lee Matison; Sec.: Lawrence Stern; Dir. of Pers.: Jerry DeLise; Dir. of Pub.: Bob Boyles; Coach: Camille Henry. Home ice: Madison Square Garden Center (17,500). Colors: Purple, gold and white.



Rookie Gene Peacosh keeps Jet Bobby Hull in low gear.

GOLDEN BLADES ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
	Butch Barber	D	5-10	180	8-31-43/Fairview, Alta.	Chicago	4	19	23	39
	John Bennett	LW	6-1	175	1-19-50/Cranston, RI	Philadelphia	4	6	10	18
						Roanoke	2	5	7	5
17	Ken Block		5-10	184	3-18-44/Steinbach, Man.	New York	5	53	58	43
14	Brian Bradley	LW	5-10	184	12-14-44/Sudbury, Ont.	New York	22	33	55	20
26	Bob Brown	D	6-1	195	12-18-50/Toronto, Ont.	NE-New York	0	4	4	8
						NE-RI (EHL)	9	28	37	47
22	Claude Chartre	C	6-0	176	12-21-49/Grande Rivere, Que.	New York	2	3	5	0
						Long Island	34	40	74	23
21	Kent Douglas	D	5-11	240	2-6-36/Cobalt, Ont.	New York	3	15	18	74
						Long Island	0	0	0	0
9	Norm Ferguson	RW	5-8	165	10-16-45/Sydney, N.S.	New York	28	40	68	8
3	Jean Gauthier	D	6-1	205	4-29-37/Montreal, Que.	New York	2	1	3	21
						Long Island	1	1	2	10
	Don Herriman	LW	5-10	165	1-2-46/Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	Philadelphia	24	48	72	63
	Harry Howell	D	6-1	200	12-28-32/Hamilton, Ont.	Los Angeles	4	11	15	28
10	Bob Jones	C-LW	6-2	195	11-27-45/Espanola, Ont.	LA-New York	13	19	32	32
16	Jamie Kennedy	C	5-8½	175	9-7-46/Dorchester, N.B.	New York	4	6	10	11
						Long Island	12	11	23	2
28	Jarda Krupicka	LW	5-10	170	3-15-46/Bruno, Czech.	Greens.-LI	6	11	17	30
						LA-New York	2	2	4	6
	Andre Lacroix	C	5-8	170	6-5-45/Lauzon, Que.	Philadelphia	50	74	124	83
	Ray Larose	D	6-0	190	11-20-47/Quebec, Que.	Houston	1	10	11	25
18	Mike Laughton	C	6-2	185	2-21-44/Nelson, B.C.	New York	16	20	36	44
15	Brian Morenz	C	5-10	185	9-28-48/Brampton, Ont.	New York	7	1	8	23
25	Gene Peacosh	C	5-11	175	9-28-48/Sherridan, Man.	New York	37	34	71	23
19	Brian Perry	RW	5-10½	176	4-6-44/Aldershoot, Eng.	New York	13	20	33	30
8	Garry Peters	C	5-10	180	10-9-42/Regina, Sask.	New York	2	7	9	24
11	Craig Reichmuth	LW	5-11	188	9-22-47/Russell, Man.	New York	13	14	27	127
12	Wayne Rivers	RW	5-9	179	2-1-40/Hamilton, Ont.	New York	37	40	77	47
20	Ted Scharf	RW	5-11	185	10-3-51/Sudbury, Ont.	New York	2	2	4	72
						Long Island	8	8	16	101
7	Bobby Sheehan	C	5-9	170	8-12-49/Weymouth, Mass.	New York	35	53	88	17
24	Bill Speer	D	5-10	210	3-20-42/Lindsay, Ont.	New York	3	23	26	40
5	Hal Wallis	D	6-2	215	6-8-46/Liverpool, N.S.	New York	3	21	24	159
2	Bob Winograd	D	5-11	195	6-6-50/Winnipeg, Man.	New York	0	12	12	23
						Long Island	2	8	10	6
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
36	Joe Junkin	G	5-11	175	9-8-46/Belleville, Ont.	LI-Syracuse	36	102	5	2.83
30	Gary Kurt	G	6-2½	181	3-9-47/Kitchener, Ont.	New York	36	150	0	4.78
	Jim McLeod	G	5-9	174	4-7-37/Arthur, Ont.	Chicago	54	166	1	3.32
1	Ian Wilkie	G	5-9	160	7-20-49/Edmonton, Alta.	New York	5	27	0	6.40
						Long Island	5	11	0	2.20

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Health could ensure the Golden Blades happiness. Health and Andre Lacroix, the WHA's first scoring champion, whom the Golden Blades obtained in a trade with Vancouver Blazers. The cost of obtaining Lacroix and his Fire Line leftwinger, Don Herriman, was Ron Ward, who might have been the scoring champion if the season had been one week shorter.

Knee injuries and legal complications, launched by the cross-town New York Islanders, hampered the performances of Norm Ferguson and Garry Peters. A glittering rookie, Brian Morenz, missed almost all of the season with a head injury.

Give the Golden Blades the benefit of another good season by Lacroix (50-74), strong comebacks by Ferguson and Peters, continued brilliance from Bobby Sheehan (35-53), sophomore solidarity from Wayne Rivers (37-40) and Gene Peacosh (37-34), and the boys from the Big Apple could be a threatening force in the Eastern Division race.

DEFENSE: Only one team (New England) scored as many goals as New York in 1972-73, but none allowed as many as the Golden Blades (nee Raiders). Clearly, the 334 goals surrendered by New York were 334 good reasons why the team finished dead last in the Eastern Division.

Creeping age and an embarrassing lack of mobility cost them dearly behind the blue line. Hal "Mad Dog" Willis, Jean Gauthier, Billy Speer and Kent Douglas were big and tough. But they had increased difficulty moving their 200-plus frames as the season progressed.

Ken Block is the pick of the Golden Blades' defense. He's adequate defensively and also an excellent playmaker (5-53). Rookie Bob Winograd shows promise.

Summer transactions landed Butch Barber, the steer-wrestler, from Chicago, vet Harry Howell from the L.A. Kings, and, in a last-minute deal, tough Kevin Morrison from New Haven.

Goal, a sore spot last season, is improved with the purchase of Jim McLeod, also from Chicago.

OUTLOOK: Patching up a woeful defense is essential if the Golden Blades hope to escape the second division. A good right winger to play beside Lacroix may exist already in the ranks, but it's doubtful New York can score enough goals to keep on the positive side.

GOLDEN BLADE PROFILES

BOBBY SHEEHAN 24 5-9 170 — Forward

The Blades' Mr. Excitement . . . Bobby, born in Weymouth, Mass., is one of growing number of American players . . . Had 35 goals and 53 assists for New York (then called the Raiders) in 1972-73 . . . One of hockey's most dazzling skaters, averaging nearly two points a game with St. Catharines in last junior season . . . Joined the Raiders after 20-goal season with California Seals in 1971-72 . . . Played two seasons with Montreal Canadiens . . . Maturing now as a player . . . A bachelor, Sheehan could be one of the great ones with bit of self-discipline.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Montreal C.	16	2	1	3
1970-71	Montreal C.	29	6	5	11
1971-72	California	78	20	26	46
	Totals	123	28	32	60
1972-73	New York	75	35	53	88

NORM FERGUSON 28 5-8 165 — Forward

As Norm went, so did the Raiders . . . When Ferguson broke his leg, New York's playoff chances went up in smoke . . . Despite playing only 56 games, Ferguson had 28 goals and 40 assists, averaging 1.21 points per game . . . The Sydney, N.S., native was Sporting News Rookie of the Year in 1968-69 when he fired in 34 goals for the Oakland Seals . . . Had 39 goals next three seasons with Seals . . . Played junior hockey in Montreal . . . Born Oct. 16, 1945 . . . Norm fired in 42 goals with Cleveland Barons in 1967-68 . . . Very strong . . . Quick skater.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Oakland	76	34	20	54
1969-70	Oakland	72	11	9	20
1970-71	California	54	14	17	31
1971-72	California	77	14	20	34
	Totals	279	73	66	139
1972-73	New York	56	28	40	68

ANDRE LACROIX 28 5-8 175 — Forward

Lacroix was part of that big trade with the Blazers and Blades . . . Andre won WHA scoring championship last season . . . He had 50 goals and 74 assists for 124 points . . . Named to first all-star team . . . Lauzon, Que., native had 16 power play scores and averaged 1.59 points per game . . . Born June 5, 1945 . . . Lacroix played junior hockey in Peterborough . . . Had 41 goals and 46 assists for Quebec Aces of AHL in 1967-68 although only playing 54 games . . . Compiled three straight 20-goal years for Philadelphia Flyers.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Philadelphia F.	18	6	8	14
1968-69	Philadelphia F.	75	24	32	56
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	74	22	36	58
1970-71	Philadelphia F.	78	20	22	42
1971-72	Chicago	51	4	7	11
	Totals	296	76	105	181
1972-73	Philadelphia	78	50	74	124

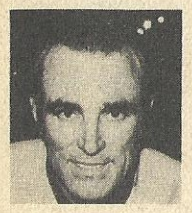
WAYNE RIVERS 33 5-9 179 — Forward

One of the difficult cases to explain in hockey . . . Had 143 goals in four straight American League seasons and yet wasn't called into the NHL . . . Precisely the kind of player the WHA was made for . . . Born in Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 1, 1940 . . . Rivers had 37 goals and 40 assists in first WHA season with Raiders . . . Played junior hockey in Hamilton . . . Played parts of six NHL seasons with Boston and St. Louis . . . Best season was 1964-65 when he had 23 points for Bruins in 58 games . . . Led AHL with 48 goals for Springfield in 1971-72.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1961-62	Detroit R.W.	2	0	0	0
1963-64	Boston	12	2	7	9
1964-65	Boston	58	6	17	23
1965-66	Boston	2	1	1	2
1966-67	Boston	8	2	1	3
1967-68	St. Louis B.	22	4	4	8
1968-69	New York R.	4	0	0	0
	Totals	108	15	30	45
1972-73	New York	75	37	40	77

HARRY HOWELL 41 6-1 200 **Defenseman**

A beautiful link with the past . . . Started his NHL career in 1952 with the Rangers and played in New York 17 years . . . Has played 1,411 NHL games in 21 seasons, third on all-time list . . . "He's a pro's pro," says former New York teammate Vic Hadfield. "He hits you hard but clean." . . . Won Norris Trophy in 1966-67 as outstanding defenseman in NHL . . . Born Dec. 28, 1932, at Hamilton, Ont. . . . Wears protective corset from 1969 spinal surgery . . . Gray-haired defenseman plays a pure defensive game and needs six goals for career 100.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1952-53	New York R.	67	3	8	11
1953-54	New York R.	67	7	9	16
1954-55	New York R.	70	2	14	16
1955-56	New York R.	70	3	15	18
1956-57	New York R.	65	2	10	12
1957-58	New York R.	70	4	7	11
1958-59	New York R.	70	4	10	14
1959-60	New York R.	67	7	6	13
1960-61	New York R.	70	7	10	17
1961-62	New York R.	66	6	15	21
1962-63	New York R.	70	5	20	25
1963-64	New York R.	70	5	31	36
1964-65	New York R.	68	2	20	22
1965-66	New York R.	70	4	29	33
1966-67	New York R.	70	12	28	40
1967-68	New York R.	74	5	24	29
1968-69	New York R.	56	4	7	11
1969-70	Oakland	55	4	16	20
1970-71	Calif.-L.A.	46	3	17	20
1971-72	Los Angeles	77	1	17	18
1972-73	Los Angeles	73	4	11	15
	Totals	1411	94	324	418

DON HERRIMAN 27 5-10 165 **Forward**

Another of those involved in the Lacroix-Ward trade . . . Herriman had fine rookie season in WHA with 24 goals and 48 assists for 72 points for Blazers . . . Once property of both Montreal Canadiens and Minnesota North Stars, the Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., native spent four straight years in EHL . . . Born

Jan. 2, 1946 . . . Herriman scored 25, 40, 26 and 30 goals for the Clinton Comets . . . Fine two-way player, known as excellent checker by foes . . . His Clinton club won two straight EHL titles . . . Has fine high shot coming off left side.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Philadelphia	78	24	48	72

JIM MCLEOD 36 5-9 175 **Goaltender**

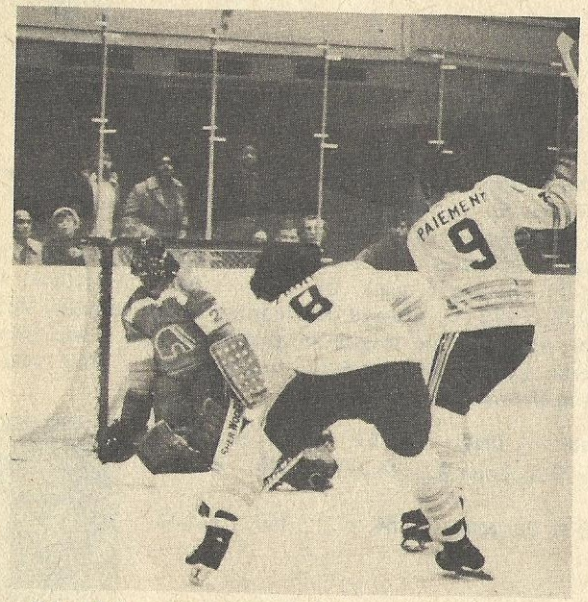
Former St. Louis goalie had a 3.32 g.a.a. mark in 1972-73 with Chicago . . . McLeod was the regular, appearing in 54 games . . . McLeod appeared in 16 games for St. Louis in 1971-72, having a g.a.a. of 3.00 . . . Born in Arthur, Ont., April 7, 1937 . . . Always outstanding in the minors, McLeod three imes led his league in goaltending . . . Four times in Western League had g.a.a. of under three . . . Best year was 2.23 at Portland.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1971-72	St. Louis B..	14-2/3	44	0	3.00
1972-73	Chicago	54	166	1	3.32

COACH CAMILLE HENRY: As well known in New York as anyone, having spent 11 seasons as a player with the Rangers . . . Also played for the Chicago Black Hawks and St. Louis Blues, beginning his coaching career with the Blues' Kansas City farm club . . . In his NHL career, Henry had two 30-goal seasons and eight seasons of 20 goals or more . . . Named an all-star once . . . Won the Lady Byng Memorial Trophy in 1957-58 . . . Once had 50 goals in minors and 96 goals in last two years as a junior.

CHICAGO COUGARS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: Jordon Kaiser; Pres.: Walter Kaiser; V.P.: John Ladner; Gen. Mgr.: Edwin G. Short; Head Scout: Florent Potvin; Pub. Rel.: Michael Haggerty; Coach: Pat Stapleton. Home ice: International Amphitheatre (9,300). Colors: Jungle Green and Cougar Gold. Training camp: Chicago.



Zaine (8) and Paiement put pressure on Quebec.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Can the league's least potent team convert itself into a viable scoring machine in one short summer? Don't hold your breath. Realignment has shifted the Cougars from the Western Division to the Eastern half. Eastern clubs killed the Cougars last season, beating them 29 times in 42 games.

The Cougars scored 50 fewer goals (245) than they allowed (295). The bright spots were productive seasons from rookie center Bob Sicinski (25-63), Rosaire Paiement (33-36), Reggie Fleming (23-45) and Jan Popeil (31-34). Fleming may never have another season like it.

COUGARS ROSTER											
No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
18	Ron Anderson	D	6-0	190	11-15-48/Dryden, Ont.	Chicago	3	26	29	34
	Gerry Andreatta	LW	5-10	185	3-4-52/	RI-Clinton	41	25	66	93
12	Jim Benzelock	RW	5-10	187	6-21-47/Winnipeg, Man.	Chicago	10	13	23	31
5	Larry Cahan	D	6-1	215	12-25-33/Ft. William, Ont.	Chicago	1	10	11	44
	Bill Coakley	D	5-11	195	3-23-50/	Rhode Island(EHL)	6	10	16	27
6	Reg Fleming	LW	5-10	190	4-21-36/Montreal, Que.		23	45	68	95
27	Brian Glenwright	LW	6-3	210	10-8-49/Windsor, Ont.	Chicago	2	6	8	0
22	Darrell Knibbs	C	6-1	185	9-21-49/Medicine Hat, Man.	Chicago	3	7	10	0
						Rhode Island(EHL)	24	22	46	5
7	Bob Liddington	LW	5-11	180	9-14-48/Calgary, Alta.	Chicago	20	11	31	24
14	Dan Lodboa	RW	5-9	178	9-25-46/Therold, Ont.	Chicago	15	18	33	16
	Darryl Maggs	D	6-2	195	4-6-49/Victoria, B.C.	Chi.-Calif.(NHL)	7	15	22	50
21	Larry Mavety	D	5-11	185	5-29-42/Woodstock, Ont.	LA-Chicago	10	40	50	89
4	Dick McGlynn	D	6-2	184	7-19-48/Medford, Mass.	Chicago	0	0	0	12
						Rhode Island(EHL)	2	14	16	36
10	Rick Morris	LW	5-11	176	7-5-46/Hamilton, Ont.	Chicago	31	17	48	84
	Wally Olds	D	6-2	200	8-17-49/Warroad, Minn.	New York	5	7	12	4
						Long Island	2	8	10	7
9	Rosaire Paiement	RW	5-11	183	8-12-45/Earlton, Ont.	Chicago	33	36	69	137
19	Jan Popiel	LW	5-9	184	10-9-47/Virum, Den.	Chicago	31	34	65	77
3	Dick Proceviat	D	6-0	187	6-25-46/Whitemouth, Man.	Chicago	4	13	17	33
	Francois Rochon	LW	5-11	181	4-18-53/Montreal, Que.	Sherbrooke	52	57	109	52
20	Dick Sarrazin	RW	6-0	185	1-22-46/St. Gabriel de Brandon, Que.	NE-Chicago	7	15	22	2
17	Bob Sicinski	C	5-11	181	11-13-46/Toronto, Ont.	Chicago	25	63	88	18
12	Pat Stapleton	D	5-8	185	7-4-40/Sarnia, Ont.	Chicago	10	21	31	14
	Pierre Viau	D	6-2	187	1-29-52/Montreal, Que.	RI-LI-Clinton	3	11	14	19
						Chicago	0	0	0	0
	Dave Walter	C	6-0	185	5-6-52/	Rhode Island(EHL)	57	57	114	38
16	Bob Whitlock	C	5-10	187	7-16-49/Charlottetown, PEI	Chicago	23	28	51	53
8	Rod Zaine	C	5-10	179	5-18-46/Ottawa, Ont.	Chicago	3	14	17	23
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
30	Andre Gill	G	5-7	175	9-19-41/Sorel, Que.	Chicago	33	118	0	4.14
31	Keith Lelievre	G	5-7	162	11-19-49/Glace Bay, N.S.	Long Island	15	81	0	5.40
	Paul Menard	G	5-11	168	5-22-52/	Rhode Island(EHL)	35	149	1	4.34
						Chicago	1	5	0	6.66
	Cam Newton	G	5-10	185	2-25-50/Peterborough, Ont.	Pittsburgh (NHL)	11	35	0	3.94
						Hershey	19	53	2	2.83

It's not a secret that the Cougars covet someone such as Stan Mikita . . . as much for his dignified leadership qualities as his penchant for scoring and arranging goals. There was much conversation.

Brightest youngster is Francois Rochon, whose 52 goals and 57 assists in his last year of junior hockey lend hope for a pro discovery.

DEFENSE: A dire need for youth, size and agility topped the Cougars' shopping list. Within a span of a few days, they drafted and signed Darryl Maggs from the California Seals, then dealt Butch Barber to the New York Golden Blades for 23-year-old Wally Olds.

If Olds can shake the first-year jitters which curtailed his effectiveness in New York, he could become one of their best defensemen over the long haul.

Dick Proceviat was the Cougars' best defenseman but missed 25 games with a dislocated shoulder. Ron Anderson is steady. Larry Cahan, at 40, was decently effective most nights and Dick McGlynn, like Olds, has youth on his side.

But, as director of player personnel Jacques Demers says, "A player such as Pat Stapleton would improve our defense 50 per cent."

Goaltending is a sore spot. Cam Newton from Pittsburgh must perform well to give the Cougars a chance.

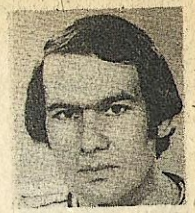
OUTLOOK: While 11 of the 12 teams entertained playoff hopes almost until the end last season, only the Cougars were out of the picture. Modest improvements have been made, but the firepower generated by men such as Sicinski, Paiement, Bobby Whitlock, Popeil and Rick Morris must be complemented by a scoring star. Their fate is sealed . . . unless.

COUGAR PROFILES

BOB SICINSKI 27 5-11 180 **Forward**

Bobby put it all together with the Cougars in 1972-73 . . . Was team's leading scorer with 25 goals and 88 points, averaging 1.14 points per game . . . Born in Toronto, Nov. 13, 1946, Sicinski was junior star in St. Catharines . . . First pro year was with EHL Greensboro Generals where he had 92 points . . . In 1968-69, Bob moved up to 110 points and following season had 115 . . . Left-handed shooter then moved into Chicago Black Hawk organization where he had best year of 23 goals and 61 assists for Dallas in 1971-72.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Chicago	77	25	63	88



REGGIE FLEMING 37 5-10 190 **Forward**

"Reggie the Magnificent" is what he was known as for many years in the NHL . . . A 12-year defensive regular with such teams as Chicago's Black Hawks, the Bruins, Rangers, Flyers and Sabres . . . He totaled 108 goals, 132 assists and 1,468 minutes in penalties in NHL . . . Born in Montreal, April 21, 1936 . . . Fleming once set a NHL record with 37 penalty minutes in one game . . . Had fine season in Cougar inaugural with 23 goals and 45 assists . . . Also totaled 95 PIM . . . An excellent instructor of the game . . . He had some of the classic fights in NHL.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1959-60	Montreal C.	3	0	0	0
1960-61	Chicago	66	4	4	8
1961-62	Chicago	70	7	9	16
1962-63	Chicago	64	7	7	14
1963-64	Chicago	61	3	6	9
1964-65	Boston	67	18	23	41
1965-66	Bos.-N.Y. R.	69	14	20	34
1966-67	New York R.	61	15	16	31
1967-68	New York R.	73	17	7	24
1968-69	New York R.	72	8	12	20
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	65	9	18	27
1970-71	Buffalo	78	6	10	16
	Totals	749	108	132	240
1972-73	Chicago	74	23	45	68

CAM NEWTON 23 5-10 165 **Goaltender**

One of three goalies the Pittsburgh Penguins used in 1972-73, Newton jumped to the Cougars in May . . . Played 11 games for Pens, ending with a 3.94 goals-against mark . . . The Peterborough, Ont., native also got in five games with Penguins as a rookie pro, having a 3.41 g.a.a. mark . . . Born Feb. 25,

1950 . . . The youngster spent all of 1971-72 at Hershey of the AHL, having a g.a.a. mark of 3.80.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1970-71	Pitt. Pe.	4-2/3	16	0	3.41
1972-73	Pitt. Pe.	9	35	0	3.94
	Totals	13-2/3	51	0	3.75

ROSAIRE PAIEMENT 28 5-11 185 **Forward**

Rosie has had a mighty strange career . . . He scores and scores and then suddenly, he stops . . . His 1972-73 season with the Cougars was that way . . . He didn't hit the broad side of a barn for the first three months . . . Then got rolling and ended up with 33 goals and 69 points . . . The Earlton, Ont., native—born Aug. 12, 1945—was a Niagara Falls Flyer as a junior . . . Then had 61 goals and 64 assists in first year as a pro at Jersey . . . Paiement finally bounced up to the NHL.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Philadelphia F.	7	1	0	1
1968-69	Philadelphia F.	27	2	4	6
1969-70	Philadelphia F.	9	1	1	2
1970-71	Vancouver	78	34	28	62
1971-72	Vancouver	69	10	19	29
	Totals	190	48	52	100
1972-73	Chicago	78	33	36	69

DARRYL MAGGS 24 6-2 195 **Defenseman**

The Cougar defense needing improvement, Maggs was taken first in the WHA professional draft . . . Darryl had good year with Dallas as rookie pro in 1970-71, coming up with 14 goals, 144 PIM and 50 points . . . Earned a shot with the Black Hawks and was dealt to California . . . In each of two years in NHL has had seven goals . . . Born April 6, 1949, in Victoria, B.C.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1971-72	Chicago	59	7	4	11
1972-73	Chic.-Calif.	71	7	15	22
	Totals	130	14	19	33

JAN POPIEL 26 5-9 185 **Forward**

The younger of the Popiel brothers was probably Chicago's best find in 1972-73 . . . Born in Virum, Denmark, Oct. 9, 1947 . . . Jan popped in 31 goals and totaled 65 points for the Cougars . . . Six of those scores came on the power play . . . Extremely tough, rugged checker, accumulated 77 PIM . . . Popiel played junior hockey in St. Catharines, mostly on defense . . . After a pair of Eastern League seasons, he was signed by Toronto . . . Played two years with Tulsa in the CHL, had 22 goals his first season and 24 goals in second.

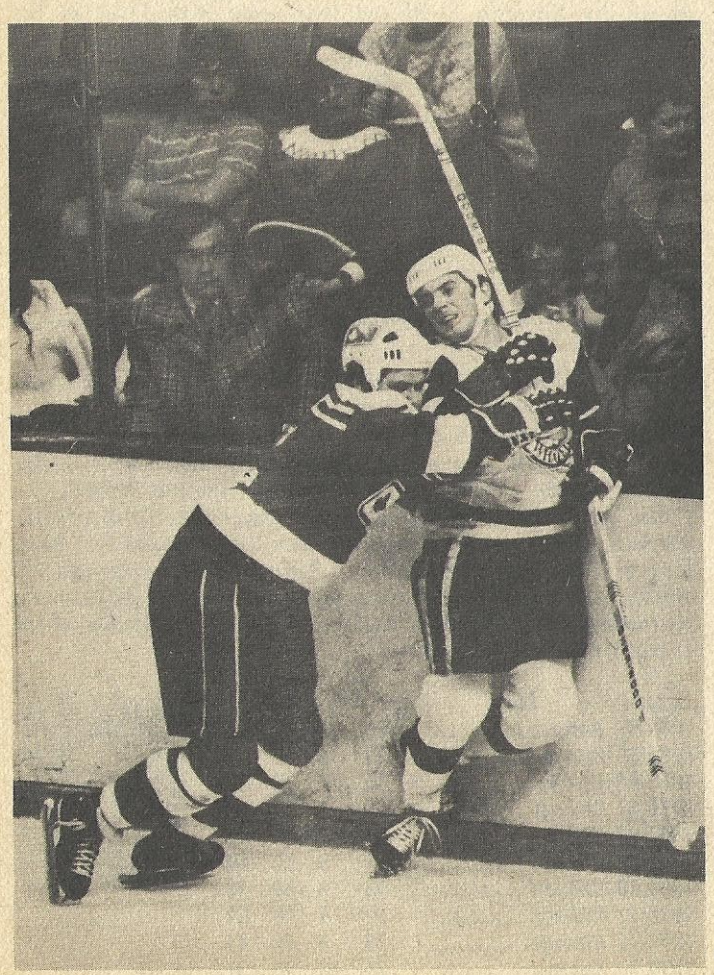
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Chicago	76	31	34	65

PLAYER-COACH PAT STAPLETON: Signed five-year, million-dollar contract in late July . . . Almost retired before last season to concentrate on his ice rink business in Chicago area . . . Eight-season veteran on Black Hawk blue line . . . Acknowledged to be among the best at his position in NHL . . . Clears puck swiftly and likes to rush himself . . . Compensates for lack of size and hitting with speed and finesse . . . Born July 4, 1940, at Sarnia, Ont. . . . Teamed on defense with Bill White . . . Doesn't socre many goals but his slap shots create rebounds that forwards convert into goals . . . Dressing room comedian with quick wit.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1961-62	Boston	69	2	5	7
1962-63	Boston	21	0	3	3
1965-66	Chicago	55	4	30	34
1966-67	Chicago	70	3	31	34
1967-68	Chicago	67	4	34	38
1968-69	Chicago	75	6	50	56
1969-70	Chicago	49	4	38	42
1970-71	Chicago	76	7	44	51
1971-72	Chicago	78	3	38	41
1972-73	Chicago	75	10	21	31
	Totals	635	43	294	337

TORONTO TOROS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: John Craig Eaton; Pres.: John F. Bassett, Jr.; V.P.: R.E. Giroux; V.P. and Gen. Mgr.: A.J. "Buck" Houle; Pub. Rel.: John Whalen; Coach: Billy Harris. Home ice: Varsity Arena (5,000). Colors: Red, white and blue. Training camp: Toronto, Ont.



Steve Warr boards Whaler Terry Caffery.

TOROS ROSTER													
No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM			
5	Mike Amodeo	D	5-10	195	6-22-52/Toronto, Ont.	Ottawa	1	14	15	77			
10	Mike Boland	RW	5-10	183	12-16-49/Montreal, Que.	Ottawa	1	15	16	34			
	Wally Boyer	C	5-8	170	8-27-37/Cowan, Man.	Winnipeg	6	28	34	27			
9	Wayne Carleton	LW	6-3	225	8-4-46/Sudbury, Ont.	Ottawa	42	49	91	42			
	Steve Cuddie	D	5-11	203	6-18-50/Toronto, Ont.	Winnipeg	7	13	20	119			
3	Rick Cunningham	D	5-10	190	3-3-51/Toronto, Ont.	Ottawa	9	31	40	141			
6	Brian Gibbons	D	6-3	190	7-7-47/St. John's, Nfld.	Ottawa	7	35	42	60			
21	Jack Gibson	LW	6-0	185	8-18-48/Picton, Ont.	Ottawa	22	12	34	50			
	Pat Hickey	LW-RW	6-1	176	5-15-53/Brantford, Ont.	Hamilton	32	47	79	80			
12	Steve King	RW	5-9	160	9-8-48/Toronto, Ont.	Ottawa	18	34	52	28			
11	Gavin Kirk	C	5-11	172	12-6-51/London, Eng.	Ottawa	28	40	68	54			
19	Bob Leduc	C	5-10	185	5-24-44/Sudbury, Ont.	Ottawa	22	33	55	71			
17	Tom Martin	RW	5-9	167	10-16-47/Toronto, Ont.	Ottawa	19	27	46	22			
22	Chris Meloff	D	5-11	185	5-7-52/Toronto, Ont.	Ottawa	1	6	7	40			
	Lou Nistico	C	5-10	175	–	London	31	64	95	108			
15	Ron Riley	LW	6-0	189	7-20-48/Montreal, Que.	Ottawa	0	5	5	2			
	Brit Selby	LW	5-10	175	3-27-45/Kingston, Ont.	Que.-New Eng.	13	30	43	52			
8	Dick Sentes	RW	5-11	180	1-10-47/Regina, Sask.	Ottawa	22	19	41	75			
14	Tom Simpson	LW	5-10	200	8-15-52/Oshawa, Ont.	Ottawa	10	7	17	45			
	Gordon Titcomb	D	–	–	–	St. Catharines	11	23	34	164			
7	Guy Trottier	RW	5-8	165	4-1-41/Hull, Que.	Ottawa	26	32	58	25			
2	Steve Warr	D	5-11	185	1-5-51/Peterborough, Ont.	Ottawa	3	8	11	77			
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.			
30	Les Binkley	G	6-0	170	6-6-34/Owen Sound, Ont.	Ottawa	30	106	0	3.72			
	Frank Blum	G	6-2	185	6-29-52/Creighton Mines, Ont.	Ottawa	2	3	0	6.42			
						Clinton	17	71	1	4.35			
	Gilles Gratton	G	5-11	155	7-28-52/LaSalle, Que.	Ottawa	51	187	0	3.71			

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: General manager Buck Houle stolidly maintains that the only way to build a winner is by building from scratch. "Sign the stars if you want," challenges Houle, "but I'll take the kid and help him become the star of tomorrow."

Houle's gallant stance may have been predicated by economics. Kids usually sign for less. But Houle has some good ones, especially along the forward lines. Under 25 and over their baptisms are players such as Steve King (18-34), Gavin Kirk (28-40), Tom Martin (19-27) and Jack Gibson (22-12).

Wayne Carleton, big and balding, gives the club strong leadership qualities. His figures (42-49) were bettered by only one left winger—Winnipeg's Bobby Hull—which was forgivable. Trades cost them Bob Charlebois and Ron Climie. A good junior prospect is Pat Hickey, one of three the Toros signed.

DEFENSE: A swing to youth again keynotes the Toros' plans. Sacrificing Ken Stephanson to Winnipeg cost the Toros some poise and punch, but, in return, they gained one of the league's toughest youngsters, notably Steve Cuddie. A Toronto boy, Cuddie has a reputation to uphold in Toronto, where he gained a degree of fame for his muscle as a junior.

Rich Cunningham, at 22, is even younger than Cuddie but probably more established. Fast enough to lead the occasional charge, he involved himself in 40 goals (9-31) while showing plenty of nerve (141 minutes in penalties).

Add incumbents Brian Gibbons, Mike Amodeo, Chris Meloff and Steve Warr, and the Toros have a deceptively good collection of defensemen whose only want, it appears, is the stabilizing feature of experience.

Another veritable kid, Gilles Gratton, played unconscious goal to lead last year's playoff drive, stealing the No. 1 job from veteran Les Binkley.

OUTLOOK: Despite the admirable quality of unharnessed youth, the Toros fared poorly in their summer campaign to sign an established talent. Again, the team will have to sell itself on what it does more so than what it appears capable of doing. A playoff spot may be out of reach this year.

TORO PROFILES

GUY TROTTIER 32 5-8 165 — Forward

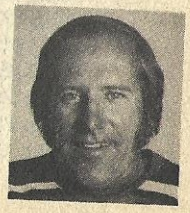
Jumped from NHL Maple Leafs to Nats in fall of 1972 . . . Trottier had 26 goals and 32 assists in 1972-73 . . . Quiet little gunner long flourished in International League . . . Finally made big time in 1970 with Leafs . . . Had nine goals and 12 assists for Leafs in 1971-72 . . . Also can play center . . . Born in Hull, Que., on April 1, 1941 . . . Was top performer in junior hockey but got lost in the shuffle as a pro . . . Picked up 10 of his scores this past season on power play . . . Solid journeyman.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	New York R.	2	0	0	0
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	61	19	5	24
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	52	9	12	21
	Totals	115	28	17	45
1972-73	Ottawa	72	26	32	58

LES BINKLEY 37 6-0 175 — Goaltender

Had 3.72 goals against average in 30 games for Ottawa in 1972-73 . . . Jumped to Nats from Pittsburgh Penguins of NHL . . . Played five seasons for Penguins . . . Best season was in 1967-68 when he had 2.88 g.a.a. mark in 53 games . . . Was American League Rookie of the Year in 1962 and league's leading goalie in 1964-65 . . . Doubled as trainer and backup goalie one year in Cleveland . . . Has sharp sense of humor and is reputed to be one of the game's best story tellers . . . Left Penguins in Sept. 1972 . . . Born June 6, 1936, Owen Sound, Ont.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1967-68	Pittsburgh Pe.	52-1/2	151	6	2.88
1968-69	Pittsburgh Pe.	48	158	0	3.29
1969-70	Pittsburgh Pe.	24-1/2	79	3	3.22
1970-71	Pittsburgh Pe.	30-1/2	89	2	2.85
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	28	98	0	3.51
	Totals	183-1/2	575	11	3.12
1972-73	Ottawa	30	106	0	3.72



GAVIN KIRK 22 5-10 165 — **Forward**

Outside of Wayne Carleton, Kirk is probably the most valuable property the Toros own . . . Born Dec. 6, 1951, Gavin is a native of England, born in London . . . Came to Canada as a youngster . . . Played junior hockey for the Toronto Marlies . . . Was second-round pick by the Toronto Maple Leafs but chose to go to Loyola University rather than try the pros immediately . . . In first season as a pro, Kirk had 28 goals and 40 assists for the Nats, including five goals on the power play . . . Could develop into a superstar.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Ottawa	78	28	40	68

WALLY BOYER 36 5-8 170 — **Forward**

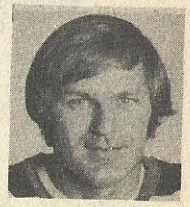
Came to Toros in off-season trade with Winnipeg Jets . . . Boyer had an off season in 1972-73, totaling just 34 points in 70 games . . . Long time NHL performer, had 159 NHL lifetime points, mostly with Pittsburgh Penguins . . . An excellent stickhandler, Boyer was born in Cowan, Man., Aug. 27, 1937 . . . Also anticipates very well, his ratio of assists to goals is almost 2-1 . . . Once had six straight seasons in minors of 20 goals or more . . . Returns to Toronto where he played junior for the Marlies and later played for the Maple Leafs.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	46	4	17	21
1966-67	Chicago	42	5	6	11
1967-68	Oakland	74	13	20	33
1968-69	Pittsburgh Pe.	62	10	19	29
1969-70	Pittsburgh Pe.	72	11	12	23
1970-71	Pittsburgh Pe.	68	11	30	41
1971-72	Pittsburgh Pe.	1	0	1	1
	Totals	365	54	105	159
1972-73	Winnipeg	70	6	28	34

RICK SENTES 26 5-11 180 — **Forward**

Although he never really had a chance in the NHL, Sentes was pretty well written off before the WHA came along . . . He was forever being picked up by someone in the various drafts and being assigned to this farm club or that . . . Yet, he's managed a respectable career . . . In 1971-72, Rick had 32 goals for Tidewater of the AHL . . . Had 22 goals for the Nats in 1972-73, adding 19 assists . . . Born Jan. 10, 1947, in Regina, Sask. . . . Graduate of junior Regina Pats . . . Once belonged to Montreal, North Stars and Red Wings.

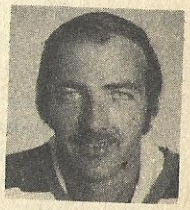
Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Ottawa	74	22	19	41

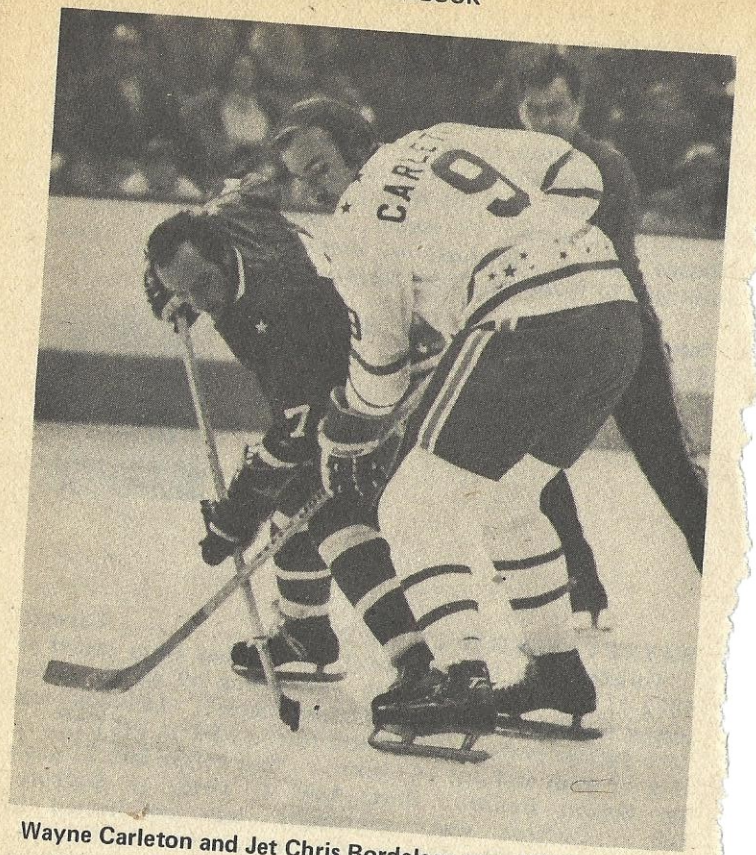


WAYNE CARLETON 27 6-2 215 — **Forward**

Carleton was far and away the Ottawa team leader in 1972-73, cashing in 42 goals and adding 49 assists . . . Big reason for new scoring was switch to center . . . Tall blond had been average performer for California in NHL in 1971-72 . . . Had 17 goals and just 14 assists . . . Year before had 22 goals for Boston Bruins . . . Born Aug. 4, 1946, at Sudbury, Ont. . . . Carleton was, surprisingly, left unprotected in draft . . . Had 1.20 points per game average with the Nats . . . Started out in the Toronto organization before going to Bruins . . . Trains race horses on his Ontario farm.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	2	0	1	1
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	5	1	0	1
1967-68	Toronto M.L.	65	8	11	19
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	12	1	3	4
1969-70	Tor. M.L.-Bos.	49	6	20	26
1970-71	Boston	69	22	24	46
1971-72	California	76	17	14	31
	Totals	278	55	73	128
1972-73	Ottawa	76	42	49	91



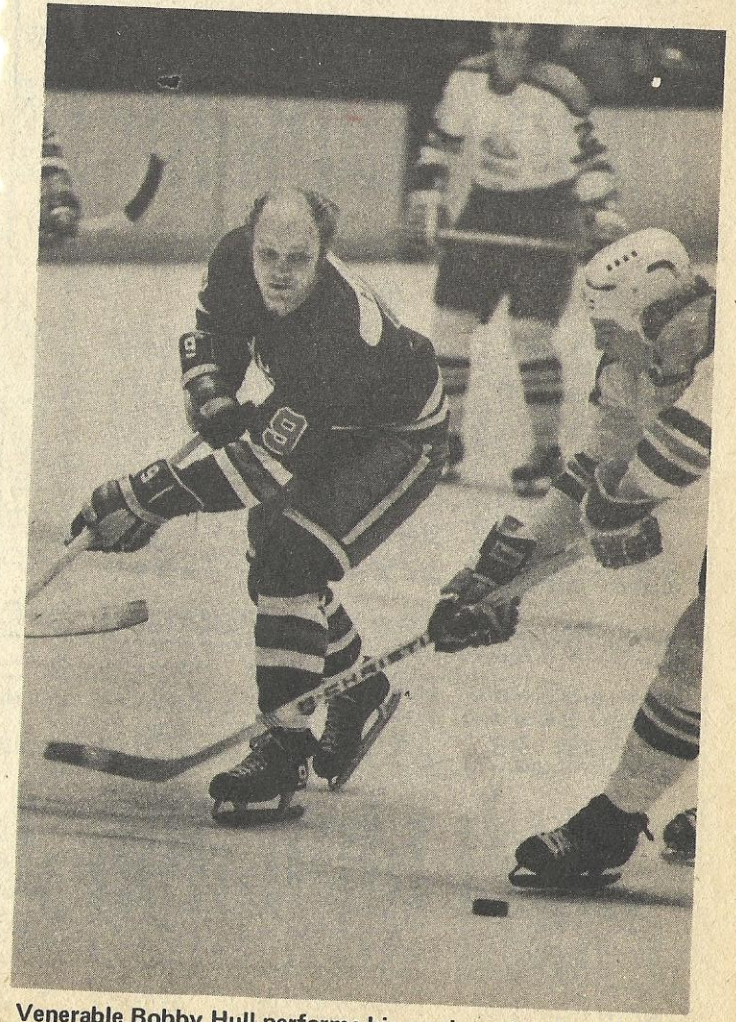


Wayne Carleton and Jet Chris Bordeleau were WHA all-stars.

COACH BILLY HARRIS: One of hockey's all-time great penalty killers, Harris played many seasons in the NHL . . . Started Canada's top hockey school with Dave Keon . . . Partners include Minnesota coach Harry Neale and Mike Elik . . . Frosty-haired Harris coached the Swedish Nationals in 1971-72 . . . Team came in third in the world championships . . . Joined Ottawa Nationals as coach prior to 1972-73 season . . . After floundering in last place much of season, Harris hauled the young Nats into fourth and final playoff spot . . . An excellent instructor . . . Works well with youngsters.

WINNIPEG JETS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Ben Hatskin; Exec. Mgr.: Terry Hind; Dir. of Pers.: Bill Robinson; Gen. Mgr.: Annis Stukus; Coach: Bobby Hull; Asst. Coach: Nick Mickoski. Home ice: Winnipeg Arena (11,300). Colors: Red, white and blue.



Venerable Bobby Hull performs his magic against New York.

JETS ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
3	Bob Ash	D	5-9	170	9-29-43/Brandon, Man.	Winnipeg	3	14	17	39
21	Duke Asmundson	C-D	6-2	195	8-17-43/Vita, Man.	Winnipeg	2	14	16	54
11	Norm Beaudin	RW	5-9	170	11-28-41/Montmartre, Sask.	Winnipeg	38	65	103	15
19	Milt Black	RW	6-0	190	6-20-49/Winnipeg, Man.	Winnipeg	18	16	34	31
7	Chris Bordeleau	C	5-8	152	9-23-47/Noranda, Que.	Winnipeg	47	54	101	12
20	Brian Cadle	RW	6-1	165	9-13-48/Vancouver, B.C.	Winnipeg	4	4	8	39
16	Jean Guy Gratton	LW	5-9	173	3-8-49/St. Anne des Plaines, Que.	Winnipeg	15	12	27	37
	Jim Hargreaves	D	5-11	185	5-2-50/Winnipeg, Man.	Seattle	1	11	12	43
						Vancouver	1	6	7	72
5	Larry Hornung	D	5-11	185	10-10-45/Weyburn, Sask.	Winnipeg	13	45	58	28
9	Bobby Hull	LW	5-10	170	1-3-39/Pt. Anne, Ont.	Winnipeg	51	52	103	37
17	Danny Johnson	C	5-11	178	10-1-44/Winnipegosis, Man.	Winnipeg	19	23	42	17
14	Ab McDonald	LW	6-2	194	2-18-36/Winnipeg, Man.	Winnipeg	17	24	41	14
15	Garth Rizzuto	C	5-10	180	9-11-47/Trail, B.C.	Winnipeg	10	10	20	32
12	Dunc Rousseau	LW	6-0	195	2-10-45/Bissett, Man.	Winnipeg	16	17	33	75
22	John Shmyr	D	–	–	–	Winnipeg	0	0	0	2
	Ron Snell	RW	5-10	165	8-11-48/Regina, Sask.	Hershey	33	38	71	90
	Dan Spring	C	6-1	180	10-31-51/Rossland, B.C.	Dallas	12	21	33	14
	Ken Stephenson	D	5-11	193	11-13-41/Selkirk, Man.	Ottawa	3	16	19	91
10	Billy Sutherland	RW	5-10	175	11-10-34/Regina, Sask.	Winnipeg	6	16	22	34
18	Cal Swenson	LW	5-11	182	4-16-48/Naicam, Sask.	Winnipeg	7	21	28	19
2	Bob Woytowich	D	5-11	195	8-18-41/Winnipeg, Man.	Winnipeg	2	4	6	47
4	Joe Zanussi	D	5-10	180	9-25-47/Rossland, B.C.	Winnipeg	4	21	25	53
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
1	Joe Daley	G	5-10	160	2-20-43/East Kildoman, Man.	Winnipeg	29	83	2	2.89
	Gord Tumilson	G	–	–	7-17-51/Winnipeg, Man.	Winnipeg	3	10	0	3.28
30	Ernie Wakely	G	5-11	170	11-27-40/Flin Flon, Man.	Winnipeg	49	152	2	3.15

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Nobody could ask more of the Jets' No. 1 line of Bobby Hull, Chris Bordeleau and Norm Beaudin. Nos. 2 (Danny Johnson, Ab McDonald and Jean-Guy Gratton) and 3 (Wally Boyer, Milt Black and Dunc Rousseau) were pale by comparison.

Largely because of the Luxury Line's production, the Jets won the West Division title handily. Hull could ask nothing more of his linemates—Bordeleau (47 goals, 54 assists) and Beaudin (38-65). His own production (51-52) was spectacular as usual. But far down the line came the Jets' fourth highest scorer, defenseman Larry Hornung (13-45).

There may be a natural temptation to break up the Luxury Line for the team's overall benefit. But it is highly unlikely. What is more obvious is a campaign by Hull and the Jets' administration to sign talent enough to ease the workload and magnify the offense.

The answer could be a Kid Line—Ron Snell, 24, and junior grads Jeff Jacques and Kelly Pratt.

DEFENSE: Beefing up the defense was a high priority. One new signing and a trade promised to help out, but the trade cost the Jets their only big hitter—23-year-old Steve Cuddie.

Cuddie had the size (200 pounds) and heart to challenge anyone. But he often paid the price of inexperience. Frankly, the Jets couldn't wait. In a one-for-one trade, they sent Cuddie to the Toronto Toros for an older but wiser defenseman, namely Ken Stephanson, a proven and effective hitter.

Jim Hargreaves, 23, was enticed over from the Vancouver Canucks. The Jets liked his size (195 pounds). "Fans appreciated me as a junior here and I'm determined to make them appreciate me as a pro," said Hargreaves, whose home is Winnipeg and whose junior alma mater is the Jets.

But the bulk remains—second team all-star Larry Hornung; his colorful partner, Joe Zanussi; steady Bob Ash and the wily one, Bob Woytowich. Goal is shared by Ernie Wakely and Joe Daley.

OUTLOOK: Steady goaltending from the rotating partners, Wakely and Daley, plus an improved defense will help, but more scoring punch to complement Hull and Co. on the forward lines should guarantee the Jets the favorite's role in the Western Division.

JET PROFILES

JOE DALEY 30 5-10 170 — Goaltender

An East Kildonan, Man., native, Daley had a 2.89 goals against average in 1972-73 . . . Owned 17-10-1 record despite missing much of the season with injuries . . . Regular goalie with Detroit in 1971-72, after coming in a trade from Buffalo . . . One of the few maskless goalies in game . . . Also played two seasons for Pittsburgh Penguins . . . Born Feb. 20, 1943 . . . Compiled a 5-2 record in World Trophy playoffs . . . Was Most Valuable Player and league's top rookie in last junior year with Weyburn . . . Fierce competitor.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1968-69	Pittsburgh Pe.	27	87	2	3.22
1969-70	Pittsburgh Pe.	9	26	0	2.95
1970-71	Buffalo	34-1/3	128	1	3.70
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	27	85	0	3.14
	Totals	97-1/3	326	3	3.34
1972-73	Winnipeg	29	83	2	2.89

CHRISTIAN BORDELEAU 26 5-9 170 — Forward

The eldest of three hockey-playing brothers, Pepe joined Bobby Hull in jumping from the Black Hawks after 1971-72 season . . . Born Sept. 23, 1947 . . . Graduate of Montreal Junior Canadiens . . . Native of Noranda, Que., had 21 goals and 52 points for Blues, then was dealt to the Black Hawks . . . Had 31 points, including 14 goals for Chicago . . . Scored 13 points in last season's Avco-World Trophy playoffs.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Montreal C.	13	1	3	4
1969-70	Montreal C.	48	2	13	15
1970-71	St. Louis B.	78	21	32	53
1971-72	St. L. B.-Chi.	66	14	17	31
	Totals	205	38	65	103
1972-73	Winnipeg	78	47	54	101

NORM BEAUDIN 32 5-8 170 — Forward

Playing on a line with Bobby Hull and Chris Bordeleau, Norm enjoyed a landmark year as a pro in 1972-73 . . . Born in Montmartre, Sask., Nov. 28, 1941, Beaudin was always a big scorer in the minors yet seldom had a shot at the NHL . . . Only 25 total NHL games . . . Amassed 57 goals last junior year in Regina and six 30-goal seasons in minors, including 41 goals in just 54 CHL games in 1964-65 . . . Led same league in goal scoring in 1966-67 with 39 . . . Had 33 goals for Cleveland in AHL in 1971-72 . . . Led WHA in playoff scoring with 28 points.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	St. Louis B.	13	1	1	2
1970-71	Minnesota	12	0	1	1
	Totals	25	1	2	3
1972-73	Winnipeg	78	38	65	103

LARRY HORNUNG 28 5-11 184 — Defenseman

Playing behind the Plager brothers wasn't easy for Larry, thus a chance to play for the Jets proved welcome . . . Hornung responded with all-star play, earning many votes as the top WHA defenseman . . . Born Oct. 10, 1945 . . . The Gravelburg, Sask. native played for both Flin Flon and Weyburn as a junior, then bounced around the minors while lesser players went to the NHL . . . His best NHL season was 1971-72 with St. Louis, when he had 11 points . . . Now proven, Hornung will be a star.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	St. Louis B.	1	0	0	0
1971-72	St. Louis B.	47	2	9	11
	Totals	48	2	9	11
1972-73	Winnipeg	77	13	45	58

ERNIE WAKELY 32 5-11 170 — Goaltender

Born in Flin Flon, Wakely played junior hockey in Winnipeg for the baby Jets . . . Had a great NHL season in 1970-71 when he had a 2.79 goals-against average in 51 games . . . Was three-year regular for the Blues after lengthy career in the minors . . . Had 2.95 goals-against mark for Houston in the CHL in 1967-68 . . . Following season had 65 games for Cleveland of the AHL . . . Stork-like Wakely was born Nov. 27, 1940 . . . Played 49 regular season games for

Jets with 3.15 goals-against mark in 1972-73 . . . Was 4-3 in seven playoff starts.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1962-63	Montreal C..	1	3	0	3.00
1968-69	Montreal C..	1	4	0	4.00
1969-70	St.Louis B...	27-1/2	58	4	2.11
1970-71	St.Louis B...	47-2/3	133	3	2.79
1971-72	St.Louis B...	27	92	1	3.42
	Totals.....	104-1/3	290	8	2.79
1972-73	Winnipeg.....	49	152	2	3.15

BOBBY HULL 34 5-10 190 — **Forward**

Undoubtedly the best left winger in hockey history . . . Hull's publicized leap to the WHA was one of the biggest hockey stories ever . . . An outstanding junior at St. Catharines . . . The Pointe Anne, Ont., native never played a game in the minors . . . Nine times was a first-team all-star . . . Won league scoring title three times and Most Valuable Player award twice . . . Had 604 lifetime NHL goals and 549 lifetime assists . . . Born Jan. 3, 1939 . . . Bobby tied teammate Norm Beaudin for Jets' scoring lead with 103 points . . . Hull had 51 Winnipeg goals in just 63 games . . . Superstar of a person.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1957-58	Chicago.....	70	13	34	47
1958-59	Chicago.....	70	18	32	50
1959-60	Chicago.....	70	39	42	81
1960-61	Chicago.....	67	31	25	56
1961-62	Chicago.....	70	50	34	84
1962-63	Chicago.....	65	31	31	62
1963-64	Chicago.....	70	43	44	87
1964-65	Chicago.....	61	39	32	71
1965-66	Chicago.....	65	54	43	97
1966-67	Chicago.....	66	52	28	80
1967-68	Chicago.....	71	44	31	75
1968-69	Chicago.....	74	58	49	107
1969-70	Chicago.....	61	38	29	67
1970-71	Chicago.....	78	44	52	96
1971-72	Chicago.....	78	50	43	93
	Totals.....	1036	604	549	1153
1972-73	Winnipeg.....	63	51	52	103

AB McDONALD 37 6-2 194 — **Forward**

A Winnipeg native, Ab had 12 seasons in the NHL before joining the Jets in 1972-73 . . . Notched five 20-goal seasons in NHL . . . Best year was 61 points and 20 goals with Chicago in 1962-63 . . . Captain of the Jets, who popped in seven clutch points in the playoffs . . . McDonald, born Feb. 18, 1936, played junior hockey in St. Catharines, having 49 goals in 48 games his last year . . . Also had five 20-goal seasons in minors.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1958-59	Montreal C.....	69	13	23	36
1959-60	Montreal C.....	68	9	13	22
1960-61	Mont. C.-Chgo.....	61	17	16	33
1961-62	Chicago.....	65	22	18	40
1962-63	Chicago.....	69	20	41	61
1963-64	Chicago.....	70	14	32	46
1964-65	Boston.....	60	9	9	18
1965-66	Detroit R.W.....	43	6	16	22
1966-67	Detroit R.W.....	12	2	0	2
1967-68	Pittsburgh Pe.....	74	22	21	43
1968-69	St.Louis B.....	68	21	21	42
1969-70	St.Louis B.....	64	25	30	55
1970-71	St.Louis B.....	20	0	5	5
1971-72	Detroit R.W.....	19	2	3	5
	Totals.....	762	182	248	430
1972-73	Winnipeg.....	77	17	24	41

ASSISTANT COACH NICK MICKOSKI: Although Bobby Hull is technically coach of the Jets, it is Mickoski behind the players' bench . . . Learned his game under Frank Boucher, Lynn Patrick, Tommy Ivan, Milt Schmidt and others . . . A minor league player who went on to direct the senior program in Newfoundland . . . Teamed up with Ben Hatskin as the coach of the Jets of the WCJHL five years ago . . . After four seasons as coach, Nick was named Hull's assistant . . . Also serves as a scout.

HOUSTON AEROS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Trustee and Chairman: Paul H. Deneau; Alt. Trustee and Gen. Mgr.: James S. Smith; Business Mgr. and Pub. Rel.: Sonny Tate; Coach: Bill Dineen. Home ice: Sam Houston Coliseum (9,300). Colors: Powder blue, navy blue and white. Training camp: Virginia, Minn.

Gordie Howe (with Aero prexy Jim Smith) says yes.

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Gordie Howe thinks his son, Mark, is as good as Bobby Orr at the same age (18). Maybe Gordie is just another

AEROS ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
21	Don Grierson	RW	6-0	185	6-18-47/North Bay, Ont.	Houston	22	22	44	33
17	Larry Hale	D	6-1	187	10-9-41/Summerland, B.C.	Houston	4	26	30	65
11	Murray Hall	C	5-11	175	11-24-40/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Houston	28	42	70	84
15	Duke Harris	RW	6-0	190	2-25-42/Sarnia, Ont.	Houston	30	12	42	14
12	Ed Hoekstra	C	5-11	175	11-4-37/Winnipeg, Man.	Houston	11	28	39	12
	Gordie Howe	RW	6-0	205	3-31-28/Floral, Sask.	not in hockey				
	Mark Howe	LW	5-10	180	5-28-55/Detroit, Mich.	Toronto (OHA)	38	66	104	27
	Marty Howe	D	5-11	175	2-18-54/Detroit, Mich.	Toronto (OHA)	12	23	35	119
7	Frank Hughes	RW	5-9	180	4-4-39/St. Boniface, Man.	Houston	22	19	41	41
5	Gordon Kannegiesser	D	6-0	190	12-21-45/North Bay, Ont.	Houston	36	60	96	56
10	Gord Labossiere	C	6-1	185	1-2-40/St. Boniface, Man.	Houston	36	60	96	56
13	Larry Lund	C	6-0	190	9-9-40/Penticton, B.C.	Houston	21	45	66	120
4	Dunc McCallum	D	6-1	193	3-29-40/Flin Flon, Man.	Houston	9	20	29	112
8	Brian McDonald	LW	5-11	190	3-23-45/Toronto, Ont.	Houston	20	20	40	81
9	Keke Mortson	C	5-9	170	3-29-34/Arntfeld, Que.	Houston	13	16	29	95
6	Poul Popiel	LW	5-10	176	2-28-43/Sollested, Den.	Houston	16	48	64	153
2	John Schella	D	6-0	180	5-9-47/Port Arthur, Ont.	Houston	2	24	26	239
	Brian Smith	RW	5-11	170	9-6-40/Ottawa, Ont.	Houston	7	6	13	19
18	Jack Stanfield	LW	5-11	176	5-30-42/Toronto, Ont.	Houston	8	12	20	8
14	Teddy Taylor	LW	6-0	175	2-25-42/Oak Leaf, Man.	Houston	34	42	76	101
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
29	Bill Hughes	G	6-1	185	11-7-47/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Houston	3	11	0	3.88
1	Don McLeod	G	6-1	190	8-24-46/Trail, B.C.	Houston	40	143	1	3.65
30	Wayne Rutledge	G	6-2	204	1-5-42/Barrie, Ont.	Houston	37	110	0	2.96

typical gloating father, but how many fathers know as much of the ingredients of a super-star as Howe himself?

The great Howe caper engineered by Houston stands out as the WHA's second greatest story, next to Bobby Hull. At 45, perhaps the greatest hockey player who ever lived, Gordie Howe, is coming out of retirement to play on the same team as his two sons, Mark and Marty.

Savvy alone should permit Howe to score 25 goals and probably arrange 40 more. Mark has the potential to score 60, but the Aeros would be satisfied with 25 in his first season.

The presence of Howe among men such as Ted Taylor, Duke Harris, Poul Popeil, Murray Hall and Gord Labossiere—all honest performers—will help Houston immeasurably.

DEFENSE: Marty Howe may not have the immediate impact on Houston's defense like the impact on offense generated by his father and younger brother. The heart of the defense remains the same with players such as Dunc McCallum, John Schella, Larry Hale and Gord Kannegiesser.

The close-checking, heavy-hitting Houston team should fundamentally remain the same. Quick, fancy teams will continue to have trouble threading the Aeros' defense and strategically-positioned forwards.

Goaltenders Don McLeod and Wayne Rutledge are more than adequate.

OUTLOOK: The publicity and crowds which will follow the Aeros around the league are bound to be exhausting, but exhilarating, too. Opposing players, like fans, will be overly conscious of the Howes, which could present a bushel of opportunities for other members of the team. Houston is likely to tailgate Winnipeg all season.

AERO PROFILES

POUL POPIEL 30 5-10 175 **Defenseman**

One of the hockey-playing Popiel brothers, Poul was born in Sollested, Denmark, Feb. 28, 1943 . . . A journeyman player in the NHL, Poul popped in 16 goals and added 48 assists for 64 points in 1972-73 WHA season . . . Also totaled 153 minutes in penalties . . . Also plays center and left wing . . . Was AHL Rookie of the Year in 1964-65 with

Buffalo . . . Started out in the Bruins' organization, was traded to Los Angeles and then Detroit . . . Was Red Wing regular from 1968-70 . . . Best Wing year was 1968-69 when he had 15 points . . . With Vancouver had 32 points.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Boston	3	0	1	1
1967-68	Los Angeles	1	0	0	0
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	62	2	13	15
1969-70	Detroit R.W.	32	0	4	4
1970-71	Vancouver	78	10	22	32
1971-72	Vancouver	38	1	1	2
	Totals	214	13	41	54
1972-73	Houston	73	16	48	64

GORD LABOSSIERE 33 6-1 185 **Forward**

An off-and-on NHL performer for several years, Labossiere came through with great season for Aeros, hammering home 36 goals and adding 60 assists for 96 points . . . Started his pro career at 17 . . . Had two tries with New York Rangers before sticking with Los Angeles Kings in 1967-68 . . . Gord had 13 goals and 36 points with the Kings that season . . . Following year split season with Kings and Springfield, totaling 23 goals . . . Had 19 goals with Kings and North Stars in 1970-71 . . . Born St. Boniface, Man., Jan. 2, 1940 . . . Clutch performer.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1963-64	New York R.	15	0	0	0
1964-65	New York R.	1	0	0	0
1967-68	Los Angeles	68	13	27	40
1968-69	Los Angeles	48	10	18	28
1970-71	L.A.-Minn.	74	19	14	33
1971-72	Minnesota	9	2	3	5
	Totals	215	44	62	106
1972-73	Houston	77	36	60	96

MURRAY HALL 32 5-11 174 **Forward**

Another player who always showed promise but never came close to achieving stardom in NHL . . . Hall always seemed to get traded when he started going well . . . Best NHL season was in 1970-71 when he had 21 goals and 59 points for Vancouver

Canucks . . . Previous chances with Chicago, Detroit and the Minnesota North Stars . . . Had six 20-goal seasons in minor leagues . . . Good season for Aeros in 1972-73—28 goals and 42 assists for 70 points . . . Born Kirkland Lake, Ont., on Nov. 24, 1940.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1961-62	Chicago	2	0	0	0
1963-64	Chicago	23	2	0	2
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	1	0	0	0
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	12	4	3	7
1967-68	Minnesota	17	2	1	3
1970-71	Vancouver	77	21	38	59
1971-72	Vancouver	32	6	6	12
	Totals	164	35	48	83
1972-73	Houston	76	28	42	70

TED TAYLOR 31 6-0 175 **Forward**

Big Teddie had a nice year in 1972-73, with 34 goals and 42 assists for the Aeros . . . He totaled 101 PIM . . . Born in Oak Leaf, Man., Feb. 25, 1942, Taylor had several shots at NHL before finally making it with Vancouver in 1970-71 . . . Had 11 goals and 27 points for the Canucks . . . Rugged player, always held promise . . . Had four 20-goal years in minors . . . Best season was 36 goals with Vancouver of the Western League in 1969-70 . . . A good penalty killer, also had five power play scores for Aeros . . . Excellent skater.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1964-65	New York R.	4	0	0	0
1965-66	New York R.	4	0	1	1
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	2	0	0	0
1967-68	Minnesota	31	3	5	8
1970-71	Vancouver	56	11	16	27
1971-72	Vancouver	69	9	13	22
	Totals	166	23	35	58
1972-73	Houston	72	34	42	76

GORDIE HOWE 45 6-1 205 **Forward**

Mr. Hockey, with sons Mark and Marty, joined the Aeros in June in one of the sport's larger stories . . . Mark and Marty are off the Toronto Marlboros . . . Gordie, a Floral, Sask., native

born April 15, 1928, holds nearly every NHL record in both regular season and playoffs . . . Lifetime 786 NHL goals, 1,023 assists and 1,809 total points . . . Also had 67 goals and 91 assists in Stanley Cup play . . . Played an incredible 1,687 games . . . Was vice president in Detroit before accepting four-year pact.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1946-47	Detroit R.W.	58	7	15	22
1947-48	Detroit R.W.	60	16	28	44
1948-49	Detroit R.W.	40	12	25	37
1949-50	Detroit R.W.	70	35	33	68
1950-51	Detroit R.W.	70	43	43	86
1951-52	Detroit R.W.	70	47	39	86
1952-53	Detroit R.W.	70	49	46	95
1953-54	Detroit R.W.	70	33	48	81
1954-55	Detroit R.W.	64	29	33	62
1955-56	Detroit R.W.	70	38	41	79
1956-57	Detroit R.W.	70	44	45	89
1957-58	Detroit R.W.	64	33	44	77
1958-59	Detroit R.W.	70	32	46	78
1959-60	Detroit R.W.	70	28	45	73
1960-61	Detroit R.W.	64	23	49	72
1961-62	Detroit R.W.	70	33	44	77
1962-63	Detroit R.W.	70	38	48	86
1963-64	Detroit R.W.	69	26	47	73
1964-65	Detroit R.W.	70	29	47	76
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	70	29	46	75
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	69	25	40	65
1967-68	Detroit R.W.	74	39	43	82
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	76	44	59	103
1969-70	Detroit R.W.	76	31	40	71
1970-71	Detroit R.W.	63	23	29	52
	Totals	1687	786	1023	1809

JOHN SCHELLA 26 6-0 180 **Defenseman**

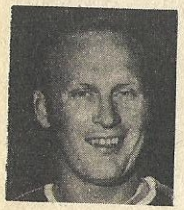
Big, bad John is just coming into his own after displaying great promise for years . . . Always a tremendously tough cookie, had 239 PIM with Aeros in 1972-73 . . . Had 26 points . . . Born in Port Arthur, Ont., May 9, 1947 . . . Started out in Montreal organization . . . Had 37 points and 198 PIM with Denver Spurs in Western League in 1969-70 . . . Spent part of next season with AHL Rochester Americans, then went up to NHL Vancouver club . . . Was regular from that point on

with Canucks . . . In 1971-72 had 15 points and 166 PIM for Vancouver . . . Good skater.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1970-71	Vancouver	38	0	5	5
1971-72	Vancouver	77	2	13	15
	Totals	115	2	18	20
1972-73	Houston	77	2	24	26

WAYNE RUTLEDGE 31 6-2 205 **Goaltender**

Rutledge had the second best goals-against mark in the WHA with the Aeros in 1972-73 . . . Had 2.96 g.a.a. in 37 games . . . This despite not coming up with a shutout . . . Rutledge was born in Barrie, Ont., Jan. 5, 1942 . . . Started out in Eastern League, then moved on to St. Paul in the CHL . . . Had 2.81 g.a.a. mark in 70 games for Minnesota Rangers in 1965-66 . . . After NHL expansion, Wayne became regular for Los Angeles Kings, having great g.a.a. mark of 2.87 in first year in 45 starts . . . Was part-time performer next two seasons . . . Very heady.



Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1967-68	Los Angeles.	40-3/4	117	2	2.87
1968-69	Los Angeles.	15-1/3	56	0	3.65
1969-70	Los Angeles.	16	68	0	4.25
	Totals	72	241	2	3.35
1972-73	Houston	37	110	0	2.96

COACH BILL DINEEN: Why did the Howes come to Houston? For many reasons, among them is that Dineen once played on the same line with Gordie . . . Bill played on three Stanley Cup winners in Detroit . . . Skated for 18 years before entering coaching . . . Known as the "Fox" by his friends, Dineen is one of the most knowledgeable men in the game . . . Assembled much of his team from his old stomping grounds, the Western League . . . Also big in hockey schools, has one of Canada's largest at Penticton, B.C., and a new one in Houston . . . Aggressive leader.

LOS ANGELES SHARKS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Dennis Murphy; V.P.: Don Dyer; Sec.: Lou Webster; Chief Scout: Jim Bazdel; Pub. Rel.: Hank Ives; Coach: Terry Slater. Home ice: Memorial Sports Arena (14,519). Colors: Red, black and white. Training camp: Costa Mesa, Calif.

Bart Crashley thinks he's a puck; Russ Gillow looks for it.

SHARKS ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
7	Bart Crashley	D	6-0	178	6-15-46/Toronto, Ont.	Los Angeles	18	27	45	10
12	Tom Gilmore	LW	5-11	190	5-14-48/Flin Flon, Man.	Los Angeles	17	18	35	191
	Howie Heggedal	C	6-0	185	9-15-49/	Los Angeles	2	1	3	0
						Greensboro	44	17	61	119
	Don Gordon	RW	5-11	180	4-17-48/Timmins, Ont.	Dallas	28	35	63	70
16	Earl Heiskala	LW	6-0	185	11-30-42/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Los Angeles	12	17	29	148
	Mike Hyndman	RW	6-1	205	12-8-45/Quebec City, Que.	NE-Los Angeles	12	21	33	32
	Mike Jakabo	C-LW	6-0	190	7-7-47/Sudbury, Ont.	Los Angeles	0	0	0	0
						Greensboro	31	46	77	118
10	J.P. Leblanc	C	5-10	170	10-20-46/So. Durham, Que.	Los Angeles	19	50	69	49
20	Bernie MacNeil	LW	5-11	180	3-7-50/Sudbury, Ont.	Greensboro	6	12	18	72
						Los Angeles	4	7	11	48
4	Ralph MacSweyn	D	5-11	195	9-8-42/Hawkesbury, Ont.	Los Angeles	0	23	23	39
11	Ted McCaskill	C	6-1	190	10-29-36/Kapuskasing, Ont.	Los Angeles	11	11	22	150
	Jim Niekamp	D	6-1	185	3-11-46/Detroit, Mich.	Los Angeles	7	22	29	151
6	Gerry Odrowski	D	5-10	190	10-4-38/Trout Creek, Ont.	Los Angeles	6	31	37	89
	Tom Serviss	C	5-10	185	5-25-48/Moose Jaw, Sask.	Los Angeles	11	26	37	32
						Greensboro	2	1	3	2
14	Pete Slater	RW	5-9	160	1-31-48/Renfrew, Ont.	Los Angeles	12	12	24	87
	Fred Speck	LW	5-9	165	7-22-47/Thorold, Ont.	Minn.-Los Angeles	16	29	45	76
19	Steve Sutherland	RW	5-11	172	9-1-46/Noranda, Que.	Los Angeles	11	6	17	96
15	Joe Szura	C	6-3	198	12-18-38/Ft. William, Ont.	Los Angeles	13	32	45	25
	Marc Tardif	LW	6-0	180	6-12-49/Granby, Que.	Montreal (NHL)	25	25	50	48
18	Gary Veneruzzo	C	5-8	165	6-28-43/Ft. William, Ont.	Los Angeles	43	30	73	34
2	Jim Watson	D	6-2	195	6-28-43/Malartic, Que.	Los Angeles	5	15	20	123
	Alton White	RW	5-8½	175	5-31-45/Amherst, N.S.	NY-Los Angeles	21	21	42	24
	Gerry Zrymiak	D	—	—	—	Greensboro	6	34	40	80
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
30	George Gardner	G	5-10	165	10-8-42/Lachine, Que.	Los Angeles	49	149	1	3.29
1	Russ Gillow	G	5-10	165	9-2-40/Hespeler, Ont.	Los Angeles	38	96	2	2.88
	Paul Hoganson	G	5-10	165	11-11-49/Toronto, Ont.	Hershey	38	111	3	2.91
	Bobby Perreault	G	5-8	180	1-28-31/Three Rivers, Que.	Los Angeles	1	2	0	2.00
	Steve Rexe	G	—	—	—	Greensboro	43	179	1	4.23

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Terry Slater likes big, rangy players who would sooner fire a punch than ask questions. Marc Tardif is his kind of hockey player. The never-smiling Tardif is star material in Los Angeles . . . "The biggest hockey name in the city," raves general manager Dennis Murphy.

Slater predicts a 50-goal season for Tardif, who vaulted to the Sharks from the Stanley Cup champion Montreal Canadiens. But as tough and belligerent as he would like them to be, Slater's top five scorers—until Tardif's arrival—were either small or gentle, or both.

Players such as Gary Veneruzzo (43-30), J.P. LeBlanc (19-50), Fred Speck (16-29) and Joe Szura (13-32) gave Slater everything but muscle. Somehow, he would prefer the latter.

Slater will like Tardif but he might overwork him. At 23, he may be too young to be overburdened with responsibility.

DEFENSE: One of the meanest in hockey. Hard-nosed types such as Jim Niekamp, Ralph MacSweyn, Jim Watson and Jerry Odrowski are quite capable of destroying the composure of hard-skating teams. The finesse artist on the Sharks' defense is Bart Crashley, who, despite his rugged-sounding name, drew only five minor penalties in 77 games while establishing himself as the club's third highest point collector (18-27).

Only two clubs had losing records at home. The Sharks were one of them and the reason, diagnosed by Slater, was the burden of penalties while trying to impress Los Angeles fans with a robust, hard-hitting hockey club.

Tempering the zeal of his defense slightly is mandatory for Slater. The spice of speed and improved agility would benefit his quest, but will he risk the inexperience of juniors for the professional diplomacy of his incumbents?

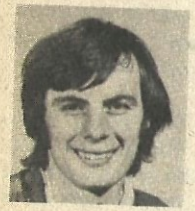
Depth beyond regular goaltender George Gardner is a problem.

OUTLOOK: About 25 per cent of the time, the Sharks had a man in the penalty box last season. Major offenders were forward Tom Gilmore (with 191 minutes), Niekamp (151), Ted McCaskill (150) and Earl Heiskala (148). An 0-8 record against Winnipeg didn't help their morale, either. Tardif's firepower is desperately welcome.

SHARK PROFILES

MARC TARDIF 24 6 180 — Forward

One of the more celebrated jumpers in the off season, Tardif had 25 goals for the Stanley Cup champion Montreal Canadiens last season . . . Previous season had 31 goals and 22 assists for Montreal . . . Granby, Que., native, born June 12, 1949, played junior hockey for the Junior Canadiens . . . Big shot coming off left wing . . . Had 19 goals in rookie NHL season . . . Likes to fight . . . Totaled more than 240 minutes in penalties in 3 1/2 NHL years . . . Had 27 goals in just 45 games with American League Voyageurs as first-year pro . . . Should be big WHA star.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Montreal C.	18	3	2	5
1970-71	Montreal C.	76	19	30	49
1971-72	Montreal C.	75	31	22	53
1972-73	Montreal C.	76	25	25	50
	Totals	245	78	79	157

GERRY ODROWSKI 35 5-10 190 — Defenseman

Anyone who's watched Odrowski kill penalties has seen an artist at work . . . In tandem with Ted McCaskill, Gerry's hard to beat working a man short . . . A semi-regular with the St. Louis Blues in 1971-72 . . . Definitely a regular during the playoffs . . . Had six goals and 31 assists for the Sharks in 1972-73 . . . Gerry picked up 89 PIM during the regular season . . . In the playoffs, he had a goal and two assists . . . His goal beat the Houston Aeros in a key game . . . Born Oct. 4, 1938 . . . Bald since childhood, he's having hair fusion.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1960-61	Detroit R.W.	68	1	4	5
1961-62	Detroit R.W.	69	1	6	7
1962-63	Detroit R.W.	1	0	0	0
1967-68	Oakland	42	4	6	10
1968-69	Oakland	74	5	1	6
1971-72	St. Louis B.	55	1	2	3
	Totals	309	12	19	31
1972-73	Los Angeles	78	6	31	37

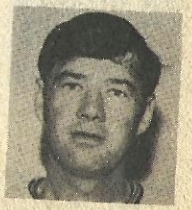
BART CRASHLEY 27 6 170 — Defenseman

Although he was top player picked in NHL expansion, Bart cast his lot with the Sharks instead . . . Had big year with 18 goals and 27 assists in 70 games . . . Had 20 goals in Central League with Dallas the previous year . . . Born June 15, 1946, the Toronto native picked up only 10 minutes in penalties . . . Detroit thought him a bit shy . . . Many thought this a big mistake . . . Wings traded him along with Peter Mahovlich to Montreal in 1969 . . . Had seven goals on power plays from right point . . . Can play right wing but more valuable on defense.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	1	0	0	0
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	2	0	0	0
1967-68	Detroit R.W.	57	2	14	16
1968-69	Detroit R.W.	1	0	0	0
	Totals	61	2	14	16
1972-73	Los Angeles	70	18	27	45

GEORGE GARDNER 31 5-10 165 — Goaltender

Came to the Sharks from NHL Vancouver Canucks . . . Had 3.29 goals-against average in 49 games with the Sharks . . . Won 19 games and tied four . . . Picked up one shutout . . . Born Oct. 8, 1942 . . . Gardner worked in 24 games for the Canucks the previous year . . . Had a hex on the Minnesota North Stars, giving up just two goals in two games . . . Had horrible playoff, winning just one of three games and ending up with a 5.67 goals-against average . . . Not a typical performance . . . Usually very consistent, very hard to beat high . . . Played junior hockey in Niagara Falls.



Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	1	1	0	1.00
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	9-1/3	36	0	3.86
1967-68	Detroit R.W.	9	32	0	3.56
1970-71	Vancouver	15-1/3	52	0	3.38
1971-72	Vancouver	20-2/3	86	0	4.17
	Totals	55-1/3	207	0	3.75
1972-73	Los Angeles	49	149	1	3.29

TOM GILMORE 25 5-11 190 — **Forward**

Big things were expected of Gilmore in 1972-73 but he had a disappointing 17 goals and 18 assists . . . Yet, coach Terry Slater thinks the curly-haired Gilmore will eventually come through . . . Had 191 minutes in penalties for Sharks . . . Rough, tough kid . . . Was considered one of the top prospects in the Detroit system before Dennis Murphy lured him to Los Angeles . . . Born in Flin Flon, Man., on May 14, 1948 . . . Had 30 goals and 31 assists for Tidewater in the AHL in 1971-72 . . . Only 41 PIM in the AHL . . . Good skater . . . Good future bet.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Los Angeles	70	17	18	35

J.P. LEBLANC 27 5-10 170 — **Forward**

Born in South Durham, Que., Oct. 20, 1946 . . . He proved his playmaking ability in 1972-73 as he had 50 assists and 19 goals for the Sharks . . . A fine passer, LeBlanc has a knack with the puck and was Los Angeles' second-leading scorer . . . An ex-Black Hawk farmhand, J.P. had a fine season in 1971-72 with Dallas, knocking in 22 goals and contributing 68 assists for 90 points . . . His 10 points in the playoffs led Dallas to the CHL title . . . LeBlanc's only shot with the parent club came in 1968-69 when he played in six Chicago games.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Chicago	6	1	2	3
1972-73	Los Angeles	77	19	50	69

GARY VENERUZZO 30 5-8 165 — **Forward**

The sharpest sharpshooter on the Sharks in 1972-73 . . . Gary whistled in 43 goals and added 30 assists to lead his team

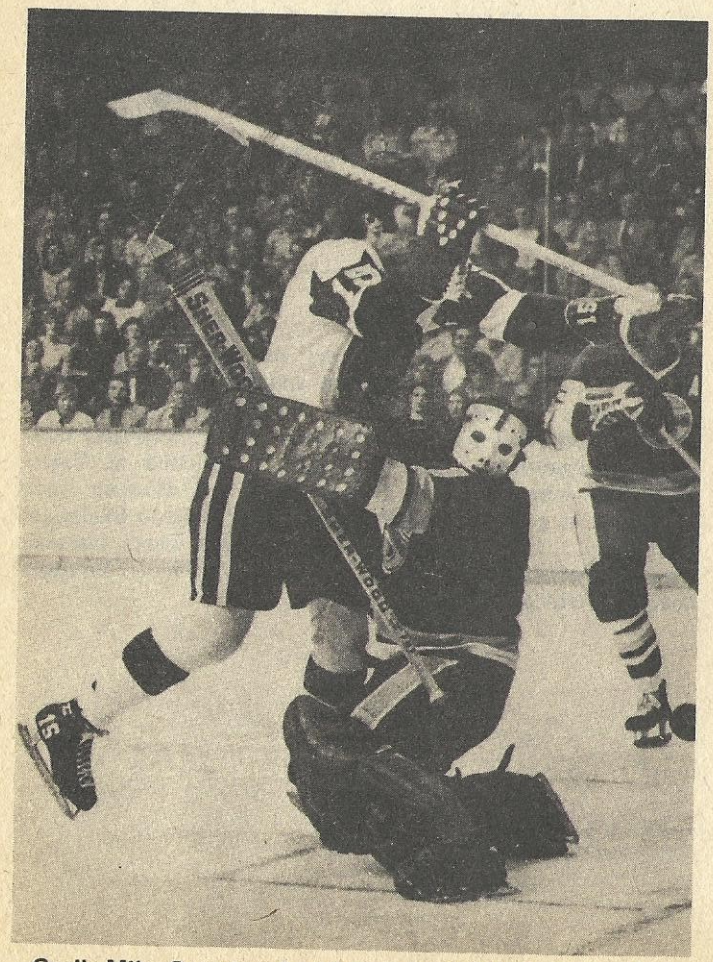
in both goals and total points . . . Added three more goals in six playoff games . . . Thought by many to be too small to play in the NHL . . . Born June 28, 1943 . . . Veneruzzo led the Western Hockey League in goals in 1971-72 with 41, chipped in 45 assists in just 72 games . . . Once property of St. Louis Blues, who never really gave him a chance . . . Instead, Gary was told to make their top farm team look good . . . Good touch around net.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	St. Louis B.	5	1	1	2
1971-72	St. Louis B.	2	0	0	0
	Totals	7	1	1	2
1972-73	Los Angeles	78	43	30	73

COACH TERRY SLATER: One of the new breed of coaches . . . Favors a hitting team and has assembled one in Los Angeles . . . One of very few coaches with college background, Terry has a master's degree . . . Was three-time collegiate All-America at St. Lawrence . . . Coached at Toledo University where he went 19-1 in 1966 . . . Following season took over as general manager-coach of IHL Toledo Blades and won title . . . In 1969 moved to Des Moines where his team made playoffs all three years . . . A cigar chewer . . . Youngest coach in WHA at 35.

MINNESOTA FIGHTING SAINTS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: Fred Grothe; Comptroller: Mike Rowan; Treas.: Len Vannelli; Pub. Rel.: Bob Halverson; Gen. Mgr.: Glen Sonmor; Coach: Harry Neale. Home ice: St. Paul Civic Center (16,180). Colors: Royal blue, gold and white. Training camp: Duluth, Minn.



Goalie Mike Curran makes the save on Whaler Tim Sheehy.

FIGHTING SAINTS ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
12	Mike Antonovich	C	5-8	160	10-18-51/Calumet, Minn.	Minnesota	20	19	39	44
17	John Arbour	D	5-11	194	9-28-45/Niagara Falls, Ont.	Minnesota	6	27	33	188
21	Terry Ball	D	5-9	165	11-29-44/Selkirk, Man.	Minnesota	6	34	40	66
	Bob Boyd	D	—	—	—	Michigan State	7	41	48	—
	Steve Cardwell	LW	5-10	180	8-18-50/Toronto, Ont.	Pittsburgh	2	2	4	2
6	Keith Christiansen	RW	5-5	155	7-14-44/Ft. Francis, Ont.	Hershey	16	23	39	20
7	Wayne Connelly	RW	5-10	175	12-16-39/Rouyn, Que.	Minnesota	12	30	42	24
16	Craig Falkman	LW	5-11	190	8-1-43/St. Paul, Minn.	Minnesota	40	30	70	16
10	Ted Hampson	C	5-8	170	12-11-36/Togo, Sask.	Minnesota	1	5	6	12
20	Jim Johnson	C	5-9	185	11-7-42/Winnipeg, Man.	Minnesota	17	45	62	20
8	Bill Klatt	RW	5-10	188	10-16-47/Minneapolis, Minn.	Minnesota	9	14	23	12
19	George Konik	D	5-10	195	5-4-34/Flin Flon, Man.	Minnesota	36	22	58	22
15	Len Lilyholm	LW	5-8	163	4-1-41/Minneapolis, Minn.	Minnesota	4	12	16	34
14	Bob MacMillan	LW-C	5-10	175	12-3-52/Charlottetown, PEI	Minnesota	8	13	21	37
23	Mike McMahon	D	5-11	182	8-30-41/Quebec, Que.	Minnesota	13	27	40	48
9	George Morrison	LW	6-1	175	12-24-48/Toronto, Ont.	Minnesota	12	39	51	87
2	Dick Paradise	D	5-11	194	4-21-45/St. Paul, Minn.	Minnesota	16	24	40	20
26	Mel Pearson	LW	5-10	175	4-29-38/Flin Flon, Man.	Minnesota	3	15	18	189
18	Terry Ryan	RW	5-10	178	9-10-52/Grand Falls, Nfld.	Minnesota	8	12	20	12
	Blaine Rydman	D	6-2	196	12-16-49/Weyburn, Sask.	NY-Minnesota	13	6	19	13
						Charlotte	0	1	1	69
4	Frank Sanders	D	6-3	230	3-8-49/No. St. Paul, Minn.	Minnesota	3	12	15	96
	Rick Smith	D	5-11	200	6-29-48/Hamilton, Ont.	California (NHL)	8	8	16	95
	Bill Young	LW	6-2	195	7-5-47/St. Catharines, Ont.	LA-Minnesota	9	24	33	77
	Mike Walton	C-W	5-9	170	1-3-45/Kirkland Lake, Ont.	Boston	19	18	37	66
	Rob Walton	C	5-9	165	9-3-49/Toronto, Ont.	Seattle	25	22	47	37
							40	61	101	45
1	Mike Curran	G	5-9	175	4-14-44/International Falls, Minn.		GP	GA	SO	Avg.
	John Garrett	G	5-8	165	6-17-51/Trenton, Ont.	Minnesota	44	131	4	3.09
30	Jack McCartan	G	6-1	195	8-5-35/St. Paul, Minn.	Richmond	36	117	0	3.26
35	Carl Wetzel	G	6-2	190	12-12-38/Detroit, Mich.	Minnesota	38	129	1	3.58
							1	3	0	3.00

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: General manager Glen Sonmor expected much, much more from two Saints last season. Fred Speck, a center, couldn't please Sonmor, so he was traded to Los Angeles Sharks. Jimmy Johnson, a left-winger, reported fat and sloppy and wound up requiring knee surgery.

His two veteran centers, Ted Hampson and Wayne Connelly, played as well as he hoped and bantam-weight center, Mike Antonovich, played better. But Sonmor couldn't hide the disappointment in having the second worst offense in the league.

So he opened the vault. In one fell swoop, the Saints signed Mike Walton and his brother, Rob. Mike, who bolted the Boston Bruins, is star material in the Twin Cities. Rob was the best center at Seattle in the Western League, scoring 40 goals and assisting on 61 more. Also signed was Steve Cardwell, via Pittsburgh and Hershey.

Sonmor's Saints should be a goal a game stronger.

DEFENSE: Not the worst by any stretch of the imagination, but slightly less effective than Minnesota fans were inclined to hope. They may not be better this season, but they should be tougher.

The campaign for size led the Saints to Rick Smith's doorstep and he signed, bolting California Golden Seals, for whom he scored nine goals and assisted on 24 more a season ago. Only problem was Smith's WHA rights were owned by Cleveland. So to compensate, the Saints had to give up Terry Ball, the smallest of the regular defensemen but also the most agile and an expert in the art of defensing Bobby Hull, in particular.

Ball and Sonmor never did see eye to eye. Now Smith joins John Arbour, tough and mean and good, and veterans Dick Paradise and Mike McMahon.

When he's hot, Mike Curran is the best goalie in the league. When he's not, "help!"

OUTLOOK: The addition of Mike Walton gives the Saints the commodity they needed most—a high-scoring center. Johnson could be a 30-goal man if he's fit. Curran needs to be more stable to give the Saints a chance for top money. On paper, the Saints appear capable of excitement for 78 games this season.

FIGHTING SAINT PROFILES

BILL KLATT 26 5-11 180 **Forward**

Always a goal scorer, Klatt proved that again in 1972-73 when he fired in 36 for Saints . . . Had two straight 34-goal campaigns in Central League for Bruins' top farm club . . . St. Paul native, though born across river in Minneapolis, Klatt had great career at University of Minnesota . . . Led Western Collegiate League in scoring . . . All-America as a junior . . . Patient shooter . . . Born Oct. 16, 1947 . . . Klatt is bachelor . . . Led Saints with 12 power play goals . . . Father was great amateur player . . . Both named to St. Paul's all-time team.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Minnesota.....	78	36	22	58

MIKE WALTON 28 5-9 180 **Forward**

One of the bigger off-season acquisitions from the NHL, "Shakey" should score well in the WHA . . . Had 25 goals in just 54 games with Bruins in 1972-73 . . . Missed two months because of off-ice accident, requiring 200 stitches . . . He's business partner of Bobby Orr in hockey schools . . . Born at Kirkland Lake, Ont., Jan. 3, 1945 . . . Won Central and American scoring titles before canning 30 goals with Maple Leafs in first full NHL season in 1966-67 . . . Had 120 goals in six seasons . . . Can play center and both wings.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	Toronto M.L.	6	1	3	4
1966-67	Toronto M.L.	31	7	10	17
1967-68	Toronto M.L.	73	30	29	59
1968-69	Toronto M.L.	66	22	21	43
1969-70	Toronto M.L.	58	21	34	55
1970-71	Tor.ML-Bost.....	45	6	15	21
1971-72	Boston.....	76	28	28	56
1972-73	Boston.....	56	25	22	47
	Totals.....	411	140	162	302

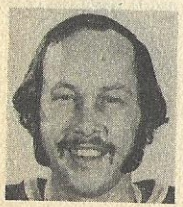
MIKE CURRAN 29 5-9 165 — **Goaltender**

Tended goal in 44 games for Saints last season, ending with goals-against average of 3.09, four shutouts, 23 wins and two ties . . . Born International Falls, Minn., April 14, 1944 . . . "Lefty" was hero of U.S. effort in 1972 Winter Olympic Games in Sapporo . . . Once won eight games in a row against pro teams while with U.S. Nationals . . . Former North Dakota U. All-America . . . Played with Green Bay Bobcats of U.S. League . . . Considered top WHA goalie among those who didn't play in NHL . . . Tim Sheehy of New England is best friend from high school days.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1972-73	Minnesota....	44	131	4	3.09

MIKE MCMAHON 32 5-11 180 — **Defenseman**

"Black Mike" is 13-year pro veteran . . . Played with six NHL teams before joining Saints . . . Had 51 points for club, including 12 goals . . . Played on power play unit . . . McMahon is only major league player on point to outscore Orr in a single season, having 14 goals and 46 points in 1967-68 . . . Outstanding defenseman in Central League . . . Had 38 points for Baltimore in 48 AHL games in 1969-70 . . . Born Aug. 30, 1941 at Quebec City . . . Was Ranger before NHL expansion.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1963-64	New York R.....	18	0	1	1
1964-65	New York R.....	1	0	0	0
1965-66	New York R.....	41	0	12	12
1967-68	Minnesota.....	74	14	33	47
1968-69	Minn.-Chgo.....	63	0	19	19
1969-70	Det. R.W.-Pitts. Pe.	14	1	3	4
1970-71	Buffalo.....	12	0	0	0
1971-72	New York R.....	1	0	0	0
	Totals.....	224	15	68	83
1972-73	Minnesota.....	75	12	39	51

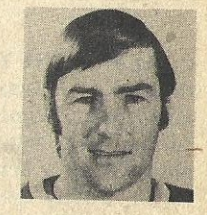
RICK SMITH 25 5-11 195 — **Defenseman**

Had five full NHL seasons before bolting NHL Seals to Saints in off season . . . Bobby Orr's defensive partner in three Boston years, including 1970 when Bruins won Stanley Cup . . . Captain of Seals last season . . . Had best year with nine goals, 24 assists . . . Played only 19 games of minor league hockey . . . A thinking man, Smith has B.A. in biology, working on master's . . . Rick was born June 29, 1948. Kingston, Ont., native now lives in St. Paul . . . Traded with Reggie Leach for Carol Vadnais in 1972 . . . Played junior hockey in Hamilton.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Boston.....	48	0	5	5
1969-70	Boston.....	69	2	8	10
1970-71	Boston.....	67	4	19	23
1971-72	Bos.-Calif.....	78	3	16	19
1972-73	California.....	64	9	24	33
	Totals.....	326	18	72	90

WAYNE CONNELLY 34 5-10 170 — **Forward**

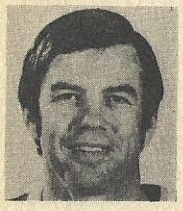
Wayne pumped in 40 goals to lead Minnesota in first WHA season . . . Previous best in majors was 35 with North Stars in 1967-68 when he also added eight more scores in playoffs to become Sporting News "West Division Player of the Year" . . . Had 59 points including 23 goals with Detroit in 1969-70 . . . Also played for Bruins, Blues and Canucks . . . Gigantic shot . . . Born at Rouyn, Que., Dec. 16, 1939 . . . 133 lifetime NHL goals, added 174 assists . . . One of the best players ever for Montreal Jr. Canadiens.



Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1960-61	Montreal C.....	3	0	0	0
1961-62	Boston.....	61	8	12	20
1962-63	Boston.....	18	2	6	8
1963-64	Boston.....	26	2	3	5
1966-67	Boston.....	64	13	17	30
1967-68	Minnesota.....	74	35	21	56
1968-69	Minn.-Det. R.W....	74	18	25	43
1969-70	Detroit R.W.....	76	23	36	59
1970-71	Det. RW-St. L.B....	79	13	29	42
1971-72	St.L.B.-Vanc.....	68	19	25	44
	Totals.....	543	133	174	307
1972-73	Minnesota.....	78	40	30	70

TED HAMPSON 36 5-8 165 **Forward**

Born Togo, Sask., Dec. 11, 1936 . . . Hampson was persistent NHL performer when lured away from North Stars by Saints a year ago . . . Had 62 points in inaugural WHA season . . . This included 82 per cent clutch goal record . . . Winner of NHL's Masterton Memorial Trophy for sportsmanship in 1968-69 while captain of California Seals after 29 goal-53 assist year . . . Now captain of the Saints . . . Led Western Canada junior league in scoring as 18-year-old . . . Turned pro by Rangers . . . Played in NHL at 22 . . . 245 lifetime NHL assists.

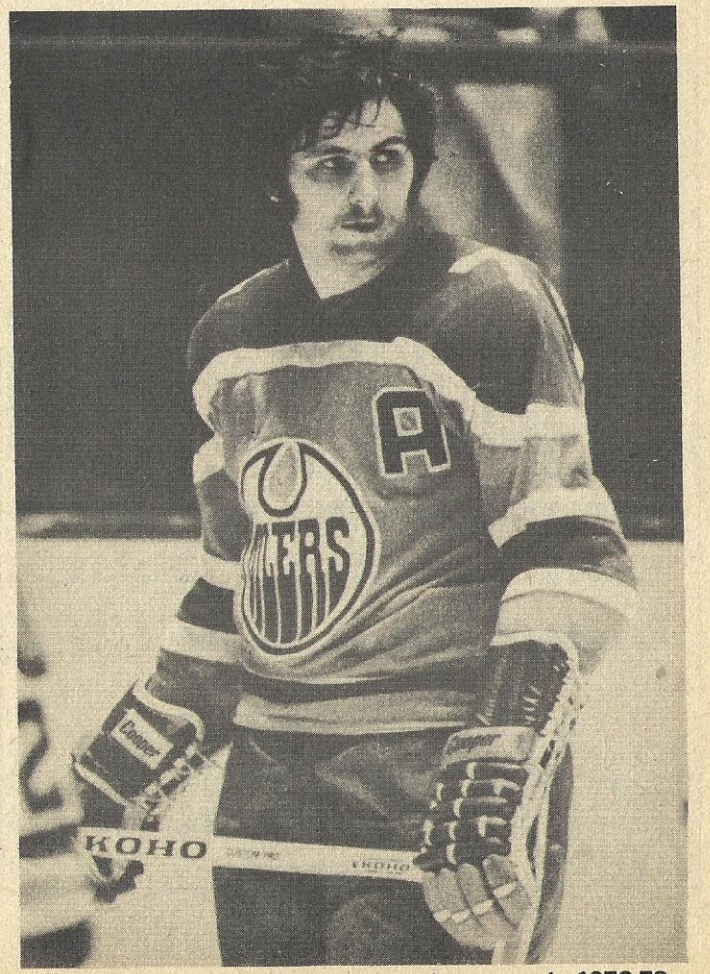


Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1959-60	Toronto M.L.	41	2	8	10
1960-61	New York R.	69	6	14	20
1961-62	New York R.	68	4	24	28
1962-63	New York R.	46	4	2	6
1963-64	Detroit R.W.	7	0	1	1
1964-65	Detroit R.W.	1	0	0	0
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	65	13	35	48
1967-68	Det. R.W.-Oak.	71	17	37	54
1968-69	Oakland	76	26	49	75
1969-70	Oakland	76	17	35	52
1970-71	Calif.-Minn.	78	14	26	40
1971-72	Minnesota	78	5	14	19
	Totals	676	108	245	353
1972-73	Minnesota	76	17	45	62

COACH HARRY NEALE: Named interim coach midway through season after stint as assistant general manager . . . Signed new two-year pact before this season . . . Sarnia, Ont., native played on 1956-57 Memorial Cup champion Toronto Marlboros with Carl Brewer, Billy Harris, Bob Nevin, Bobby Baun and Charlie Burns . . . Decided against pro career in favor of college . . . Played for Canadian Nationals . . . Became coach at Ohio State University in 1966 . . . Coached Hamilton Juniors in 1971-72 before joining Saints . . . Partner in Harris-Keon hockey schools . . . A funny, funny man.

EDMONTON OILERS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Pres.: Zane Feldman; V.P.: W.D. Hunter; Comptroller: Ray Barth; Pub. Rel.: Don LeRose; Coach: Brian Shaw. Home ice: Edmonton Gardens (5,800). Colors: Royal blue, orange and white. Training camp: Edmonton, Alta.



Jim Harrison averaged well over a point a game in 1972-73.

OILERS ROSTER No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
10	Ron Anderson	RW	6-0	190	7-29-45/Red Deer, Alta.	Alberta	14	15	29	43
19	Ken Baird	D	6-0	190	2-1-51/Flin Flon, Man.	Alberta	14	15	29	112
5	Doug Barrie	D	5-9	175	10-2-46/Edmonton, Alta.	Alberta	9	22	31	109
	Bernie Blanchette	RW	6-0	165	7-11-47/No. Battleford, Sask.	Chi-Alta.	7	7	14	10
14	Brian Carlin	LW	5-10	175	6-13-50/Calgary, Alta.	Alberta	12	22	34	6
20	Steve Carlyle	D	5-10	180	3-10-50/Lacombe, Alta.	Alberta	7	10	17	35
	Ron Climie	LW	5-11	180	3-5-50/Hamilton, Ont.	Ottawa	12	19	31	2
2	Roger Cote	D	5-9	184	12-22-39/Belleterre, Que.	Alberta	3	5	8	44
6	Bob Falkenberg	D	6-0	195	1-1-46/Stettler, Alta.	Alberta	6	23	29	44
	John Fisher	LW	5-11	185	12-21-47/Ayr, Scot.	Alberta	0	5	5	0
	Bob Fitchner	C	6-0	190	12-22-50/Sudbury, Ont.	Fort Wayne	26	37	63	157
8	Val Fonteyne	LW	5-9	160	12-2-33/Wetaskiwin, Alta.	Alberta	7	32	39	2
3	Al Hamilton	D	6-2	195	8-20-46/Flin Flon, Man.	Alberta	11	49	60	126
7	Jim Harrison	C	5-11	180	7-9-47/Bonnyville, Alta.	Alberta	39	48	87	93
12	Billy Hicke	RW	5-8	176	3-31-38/Regina, Sask.	Alberta	14	24	38	20
16	Ed Joyal	C	6-0	180	5-8-40/Edmonton, Alta.	Alberta	22	16	38	16
15	Dennis Kassian	LW	5-11	170	7-14-41/Vegreville, Alta.	Alberta	6	7	13	14
	Bill Laing	D	–	–	–	Saskatoon	19	34	53	49
18	Bob McAneeley	C	5-8	175	11-7-50/Cranbrooke, B.C.	Alberta	5	7	12	24
	Jim McCrimmon	D	–	–	–	Medicine Hat	7	30	37	179
	Blair McDonald	RW	–	–	–	Cornwall	63	39	102	44
	Brian McKenzie	LW	5-10	165	3-16-51/St. Catharines, Ont.	Hershey	0	2	2	16
						Omaha	16	36	52	71
17	Rusty Patenaude	RW	5-9	175	10-17-49/Williams Lake, B.C.	Alberta	29	27	56	59
9	Ross Perkins	C	5-10	176	11-4-46/Tisdale, Sask.	Alberta	21	37	58	19
4	Bob Wall	D-RW	5-10	180	12-1-42/Elgin Mills, Ont.	Alberta	16	29	45	20
11	Ron Walters	LW	6-0	175	3-9-48/Castor, Alta.	Alberta	28	26	54	37
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
1	Ken Brown	G	5-11	175	12-19-48/Port Arthur, Ont.	Alberta	20	63	1	3.65
30	Jack Norris	G	5-10	175	8-5-42/Saskatoon, Sask.	Alberta	64	189	1	3.06

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Edmonton's swan-like center, Jim Harrison, is deadly. He's refined the art of stunning opponents with his own patented shock treatment—the brilliantly-executed goal.

One of his favorite plays is to scramble a power-play and score a shorthanded goal—a feat he subjected opponents to six times last season.

Harrison excels in games chokingly tight. He loves the heat. But Harrison alone cannot improve the Oilers' dramatic if unsuccessful drive toward the playoffs of a year ago.

The team is fundamentally defense-oriented. Ross Perkins, Rusty Patenaude and Ron Walters will never win any scoring championships. Junior graduate Bill Laing is not a scoring fiend. Ron Climie, captured in a trade from the Toronto Toros, will help some.

But only goals—and lots of them—can launch the Oilers upwards.

DEFENSE: Man for man, the defense must rank among the top three in the WHA. Bruisers such as Al Hamilton, Bob Falkenberg and Doug Barrie can scramble any team's offense, especially in Edmonton where the rink is narrow compared to most. Bob Wall is all brains and definitely underrated.

Hamilton (11-49) was the club's second highest scorer, behind only Jim Harrison (39-48). Barrie spent some time on the forward lines, beefing up Harrison's right side. Young Ken Baird is listed as a defenseman but might be a better forward.

Brightest new face should be the friendly giant, Jim McCrimmon, a junior from Medicine Hat. The quickness and savvy of pro hockey may hurt him for a while, but he won't be shy. He's a human hammer.

Goaltenders Ken Brown and Jack Norris tend to be streaky. Brown's second major league season should herald a new degree of consistency.

OUTLOOK: The Oilers may be too dependent on one man, namely Harrison. However, the big guy seems to enjoy the responsibility. Key to success will be winning the close games as the Oilers' defense defuses enemy attackers. If they make the playoffs, they have the kind of club that could win everything.

OILER PROFILES

JIM HARRISON 26 5-11 185 — Forward

Undisputably, Mr. Oiler . . . Harrison should develop into one of the finest players in any hockey league . . . Picked up on great promise he showed with Toronto in 19-goal year in 1971-72, he got 39 goals, 48 assists for Alberta in 65 games in 1972-73 . . . Born in Glendon, Alta., July 9, 1947, Jim averaged 1.34 points per game in an Oiler uniform . . . Played junior hockey in Estevan . . . Drafted by Boston, he played half a season in Oklahoma City before joining the Bruins . . . He was traded to the Leafs and had 33 points for Toronto in 1970-71.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Boston	16	1	2	3
1969-70	Bos.-Tor. M.L.	54	10	11	21
1970-71	Toronto M.L.	78	13	20	33
1971-72	Toronto M.L.	66	19	17	36
	Totals	214	43	50	93
1972-73	Alberta	65	39	48	87

DOUG BARRIE 27 5-9 175 — Defenseman

An aggressive defenseman, Barrie had 109 penalty minutes for Oilers in 1972-73 . . . He had nine goals and 22 assists from his point post . . . Born in Edmonton on Oct. 2, 1946 . . . Played two full seasons in the NHL . . . In 1970-71, he was a regular with Buffalo and the following season had five goals and 18 assists with Los Angeles Kings . . . Once had 55 penalty minutes in just seven CHL playoff games . . . Also put in duty with Pittsburgh and Detroit in the NHL . . . Had .90 clutch goal record for Alberta . . . Tough to move out of way.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1968-69	Pitt. Pe.	8	1	1	2
1970-71	Buffalo	75	4	23	27
1971-72	Buff.-L.A.	75	5	18	23
	Totals	158	10	42	52
1972-73	Alberta	54	9	22	31

RUSTY PATENAUDE 24 5-9 175 — Forward

Although just a youngster, Patenaude proved invaluable to Oilers in 1972-73 . . . Second leading goal scorer with 29, also had 27 assists . . . Superb junior performer with Moose Jaw and Calgary . . . Had 104 goals and 107 assists in three WCJL seasons but not sensational rookie pro year with Amarillo . . . Had only 13 goals and 24 assists . . . Williams Lake, B.C., native then had 35 goals and 42 assists with Ft. Wayne of the IHL . . . Born Oct. 17, 1949 . . . A tough cookie in John McKenzie tradition, he was originally drafted by Pittsburgh Penguins.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Alberta	78	29	27	56

BOB WALL 30 5-10 180 — Defenseman

An outstanding junior player in Hamilton, Wall played six seasons in the NHL with Detroit, Los Angeles and St. Louis . . . Best year for Richmond Hill, Ont., native was 1968-69 when he had 13 goals and 13 assists for the Kings . . . Born Dec. 1, 1942 . . . Can also play left wing . . . Twice had 10 goals in the minors . . . For Alberta, had 16 goals and 29 assists from left point including five on the power play and two short-handed markers . . . Doesn't take many penalties but is quite effective in front of the net . . . Not much of a gambler.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1964-65	Detroit R.W.	1	0	0	0
1965-66	Detroit R.W.	8	1	1	2
1966-67	Detroit R.W.	31	2	2	4
1967-68	Los Angeles	71	5	18	23
1968-69	Los Angeles	71	13	13	26
1969-70	Los Angeles	70	5	13	18
1970-71	St. Louis B.	25	2	4	6
1971-72	Detroit R.W.	45	2	4	6
	Totals	322	30	55	85
1972-73	Alberta	78	16	29	45

JACK NORRIS 31 5-10 175 — **Goaltender**

Norris played 64 games as Oiler regular in 1972-73 . . . Had fine 3.06 goals-against average . . . Played in NHL for Boston Bruins, Chicago Black Hawks and Los Angeles Kings . . . Was Kings' regular in 1970-71 . . . Involved in controversial trade that found Esposito, Stanfield and Hodge going to Bruins in 1967 . . . Born in Saskatoon, Sask., Aug. 5, 1942, Norris played junior hockey in Estevan having a great final season when he had a g.a.a. of just 2.02 in 43 games . . . Had 2.80 goals-against mark with Dallas in 1968-69.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1964-65	Boston	23	85	1	3.70
1967-68	Chicago	5-2/3	22	1	4.00
1968-69	Chicago	1-2/3	10	0	6.00
1970-71	Los Angeles	21-2/3	85	0	3.90
	Totals	52	203	2	3.89
1972-73	Alberta	64	189	1	3.06

ALLAN HAMILTON 27 6-1 195 — **Defenseman**

An 11-year professional despite his youth, Hamilton was one of the most solid WHA defensemen in 1972-73 . . . He ended up the Oilers' second-leading scorer with 11 goals, 49 assists and 126 minutes in penalties . . . Spent first eight years as a pro in the New York organization . . . Flin Flon, Man., native was plucked by Buffalo in the 1970 expansion and was two-year regular for Sabres, recording 30 points in 1970-71 and coming back with 34 points in 1971-72 . . . Considered an offensive defenseman, is top puck-carrier . . . Born Aug. 20, 1946.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1965-66	New York R.	4	0	0	0
1967-68	New York R.	2	0	0	0
1968-69	New York R.	16	0	0	0
1969-70	New York R.	59	0	5	5
1970-71	Buffalo	69	2	28	30
1971-72	Buffalo	76	4	30	34
	Totals	226	6	63	69
1972-73	Alberta	78	11	49	60

ROSS PERKINS 27 5-10 175 — **Forward**

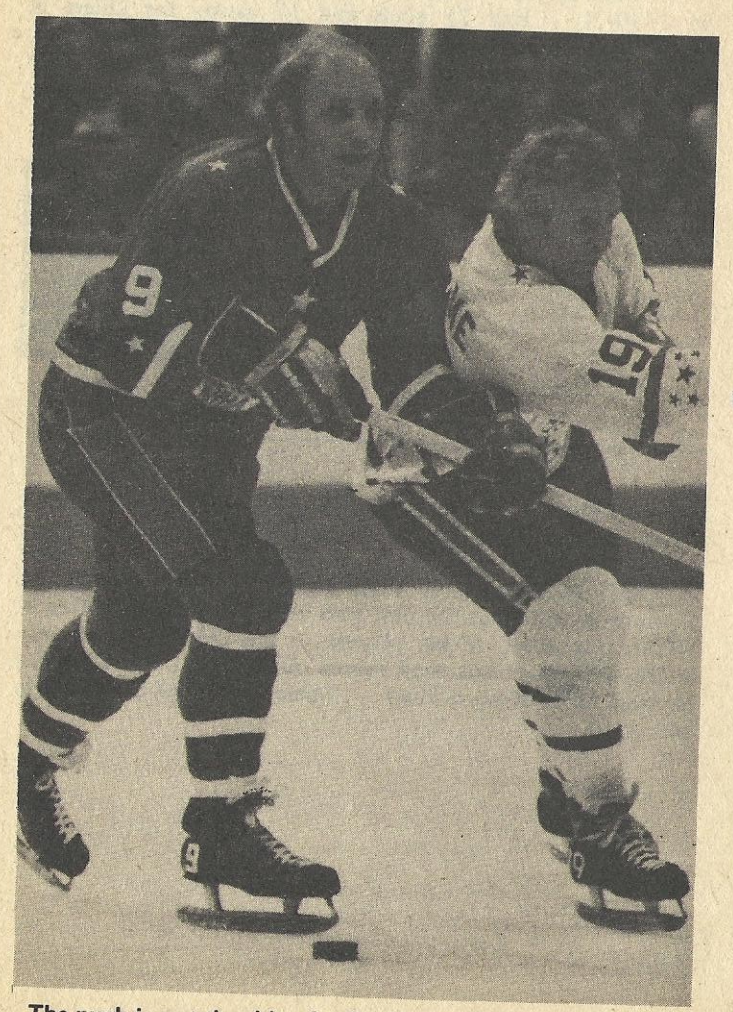
Minor league Player of the Year in 1971-72 when he popped in 41 goals and had 56 assists for Fort Worth in CHL . . . Perkins is from Tisdale, Sask., born Nov. 4, 1946 . . . Led Edmonton Oil Kings to Memorial Cup wins in 1965-66 . . . After slow minor league start, had 23 goals for Fort Worth in 1970-71 . . . Had 21 goals and 37 assists for Oilers in 1972-73 . . . Included was .90 clutch goal mark and five power play scores . . . A smooth skater, Perkins has remarkable sense of direction with puck . . . Fine passer . . . Should get better and better.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Alberta	71	21	37	58

COACH BRIAN SHAW: Although not a great player himself, Shaw has turned into one of the game's finest coaches . . . Had the best record of any junior coach the last five years as head man of St. Catharines, then Moose Jaw and finally the Edmonton Oil Kings the past two years . . . Has reputation of getting the most of his players . . . His Oil Kings won the WCJL last season but were beaten out by Medicine Hat in the Memorial Cup Western final . . . Named coach of the Oilers in late June.

VANCOUVER BLAZERS

TEAM DIRECTORY: Chairman: Jim Pattison; Pres.: Tiff Trimble; Comptroller: R.A. Frampton; Gen. Mgr.: John McKenzie; Coach: Phil Watson. Home ice: Pacific Coliseum (15,569). Colors: Burnt orange and yellow.



The puck is not the thing for Pie McKenzie and Bobby Hull.

BLAZERS ROSTER No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Born	1972-73	G	A	Pts.	PIM
8	Don Burgess	LW	6-0	170	6-8-46/Port Edward, Ont.	Philadelphia	20	22	42	15
	Michel Boudreau	D	–	–	–	Philadelphia	7	7	14	4
14	Bryan Campbell	C	6-0	175	3-27-44/Sudbury, Ont.	Philadelphia	25	48	73	85
	Colin Campbell	D	–	–	–	Peterborough	9	48	57	322
6	Rich Campeau	D	6-0	190	4-9-52/Montreal, Que.	Philadelphia	1	18	19	72
5	Jim Cardiff	D	5-9	165	8-29-44/Dauphin, Man.	Philadelphia	3	24	27	185
	Derek Harker	D	6-0	185	1-7-51/Edmonton, Alta.	Alb.-Philadelphia	0	5	5	46
						Roanoke	1	10	11	45
3	Dave Hutchison	D	6-3	205	5-2-52/	RI-Roanoke (EHL)	7	18	25	158
						Philadelphia	0	2	2	34
	Jim Jones	F	–	–	–	Peterborough	37	33	70	73
	Camille Lapierre	C	5-10	160	2-8-51/Chicoutimi, Que.	Philadelphia	5	9	14	2
						Roanoke	22	36	58	81
11	Danny Lawson	RW	5-11	180	10-30-47/Toronto, Ont.	Philadelphia	61	45	106	35
19	John McKenzie	RW	5-9	178	12-12-37/High River, Alta.	Philadelphia	28	50	78	157
	Pete McNamee	D	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Denis Meloche	–	–	–	–	Philadelphia	1	1	2	0
						Roanoke	30	49	79	60
18	John Migneault	D	5-11	180	2-4-49/Thompkins, Sask.	Philadelphia	10	8	18	38
						Roanoke	4	13	17	15
12	Don O'Donoghue	RW	5-10	180	8-27-49/Kingston, Ont.	Philadelphia	16	23	39	43
	Pierre Paiement	RW	–	–	–	Roanoke	22	31	53	119
24	Michel Plante	LW	5-10	170	1-19-52/Drummondville, Que.	Philadelphia	13	12	25	35
4	Ron Plumb	D	5-10	175	7-17-50/Kingston, Ont.	Philadelphia	10	41	51	66
	Claude St. Sauveur	C	–	–	–	Philadelphia	1	0	1	0
						Roanoke	55	52	107	99
	Irv Spencer	D	5-10	180	12-4-37/Sudbury, Ont.	Rhode Island(EHL)	3	3	6	4
						Philadelphia	2	27	29	43
	Jean Tetreault	LW	–	–	–	Drummondville	2	58	86	62
	Ron Ward	C	5-11	175	9-12-44/Cornwall, Ont.	New York	28	67	118	28
							GP	GA	SO	Avg.
	Yves Archambault	G	5-10	180	6-22-52/Montreal, Que.	Roanoke	30	104	2	3.51
						Philadelphia	6	17	0	3.92
	Pete Donnelly	G	5-8	155	6-14-48/Detroit, Mich.	New York	47	155	2	3.56
	Ed Humphreys	G	6-0	170	6-5-53/	Saskatoon	53	142	5	2.56
	Marcel Paille	G	5-8	185	12-8-32/Shawinigan Falls, Que.	Philadelphia	15	49	0	4.81

SCOUTING REPORT

OFFENSE: Ron Ward is miffed because New York traded him to Vancouver after a spectacular 118-point season. He's concerned that the Blazers might be using him as the focal point of Canuck embarrassment in the impending war for the hockey dollar in Vancouver.

A two-goal scorer for the Canucks who went to the WHA and New York to score 51 goals, Ward is the key to the Blazers' success. He's their strength down the middle.

Centers are especially valuable to the Blazers who have two of the best rightwingers in the league, namely Danny Lawson and John McKenzie. Lawson led the league with 61 goals.

The Blazers stake a huge claim in youngsters. Michel Plante, a center, is a good one. So are newcomers Jimmy Jones and Jean Tetreault. But dividends are not assured instantly.

DEFENSE: Consider Ron Plumb one of the best in the league. Dave Hutchison and Rycard Campeau are mere kids, but they are ready to profit from their first full season. If they can cut their mistakes in half, they could lend some credibility to an otherwise erratic staff of defensemen.

Definitely a prospect is Colin Campbell, the Blazers' No. 1 pick in the amateur draft. Campbell is a defenseman with glowing credentials.

Two new goaltenders lessen the uncertainty about the Blazers' ability to defend. Pete Donnelly, acquired from New York, is probably one of the WHA's two best goaltending discoveries. Donnelly will have the help of big Ed Humphreys, a junior graduate who posted a rather phenomenal 2.59 goals-against average in his last year in the Western Canada League.

OUTLOOK: Like a field of two-year-old maidens, the Blazers are tough to handicap because of their unproven youth. McKenzie likes kids and the way they hustle. Put a polished center beside Lawson, and he may score another 61. If Ward plays unhappily, the Blazers could bomb.

BLAZER PROFILES

JOHN McKENZIE 35 5-9 178 **Forward**

"Pie" is in one of strangest jobs in hockey . . . Is player and general manager, plus assistant coach of Blazers . . . Was seven-year regular with Boston Bruins . . . Had 206 lifetime NHL goals before joining Blazers a year ago . . . Born High River, Alta., Dec. 2, 1937 . . . Was Most Valuable Player in junior hockey in 1957-58 . . . Played for Red Wings, Black Hawks and Rangers before joining Bruins, in exchange for Reggie Fleming . . . One of the more gutty players in game . . . Proved himself an excellent administrator . . . signed top four picks.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1958-59	Chicago	32	3	4	7
1959-60	Detroit R.W.	59	8	12	20
1960-61	Detroit R.W.	16	3	1	4
1963-64	Chicago	45	9	9	18
1964-65	Chicago	51	8	10	18
1965-66	N.Y.R.-Bos.	71	19	14	33
1966-67	Boston	69	17	19	36
1967-68	Boston	74	28	38	66
1968-69	Boston	60	29	27	56
1969-70	Boston	72	29	41	70
1970-71	Boston	65	31	46	77
1971-72	Boston	77	22	47	69
	Totals	691	206	268	474
1972-73	Philadelphia	60	28	50	78

DON O'DONOGHUE 24 5-10 180 **Forward**

One of the swiftest skaters in hockey, O'Donoghue enjoyed his best scoring output in pro hockey last season . . . Born in Kingston, Ont., Aug. 27, 1949 . . . Has a reputation as a tough cookie and excellent checker . . . Drew the Bobby Hull assignment with Blazers and with his old team, the California Golden Seals . . . Had 11 goals for Seals in 1970-71 after just five as an NHL rookie . . . Played for St. Catharines in OHA major junior.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Oakland	68	5	6	11
1970-71	California	43	11	9	20
1971-72	California	14	2	2	4
	Totals	125	18	17	35
1972-73	Philadelphia	74	16	23	39

BRYAN CAMPBELL 29 6 175 **Forward**

A veteran of two NHL clubs, Los Angeles and Chicago . . . The Sudbury, Ont., native played junior hockey in Toronto . . . Born March 27, 1944 . . . Bryan had four 20-goal seasons in the minors before making the NHL for good in 1969-70 . . . He was traded to Chicago in Feb. 1970 and was Bobby Hull's center in 1970-71, popping in 54 points, including 17 goals . . . With the Blazers, Bryan centered the third line and had his best season.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Los Angeles	44	6	15	21
1968-69	Los Angeles	18	2	1	3
1969-70	L.A.-Chgo	45	5	5	10
1970-71	Chicago	78	17	37	54
1971-72	Chicago	75	5	13	18
	Totals	260	35	71	106
1972-73	Philadelphia	75	25	48	73

DANNY LAWSON 26 5-11 185 **Forward**

Those who watched NHL practices for years often thought Danny would develop into a star, and he finally did in 1972-73 . . . Gunned in 61 goals and added 45 assists for 106 points for the Blazers . . . The Toronto native put in 20 of those goals on the power play . . . Born Oct. 30, 1947 . . . Started his NHL career with Detroit and moved to the Minnesota North Stars and then Buffalo . . . Had 52 goals his last season of junior hockey in Hamilton . . . A superb skater, he ranks with Yvan Cournoyer in his ability to accelerate.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1967-68	Detroit R.W.	1	0	0	0
1968-69	Det. R.W.-Minn.	62	8	10	18
1969-70	Minnesota	45	9	8	17
1970-71	Minnesota	33	1	5	6
1971-72	Buffalo	78	10	6	16
	Totals	219	28	29	57
1972-73	Philadelphia	78	61	45	106

RON PLUMB 23 5-10 175 **Defenseman**

Boston made a big mistake in the 1972 professional draft, protecting Plumb and leaving John McKenzie off that list . . . This caused McKenzie to jump to the WHA—and the first job he accomplished was getting Plumb to go with him . . . Ronnie proved his major league ability by becoming the Blazers' best rearguard, popping in 10 goals and adding 41 assists . . . That nearly matched his record of 10 goals and 42 assists with Oklahoma City of the Central League the previous year . . . Born July 17, 1950, at Kingston, Ont.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1972-73	Philadelphia	78	10	41	51

RON WARD 29 5-11 165 **Forward**

Ward returns to Vancouver with a new outlook on life . . . A year ago, Ron bolted the Vancouver Canucks for WHA Raiders, proceeded to score 51 goals and total 118 points . . . He goes home to prove a point, having been traded for Andre Lacroix in off-season . . . Cornwall, Ont., citizen was born Sept. 12, 1944 . . . Had only two goals for Canucks after being used as penalty-killing defenseman . . . Enjoyed two 30-goal season in minors . . . Totaled 85 points and was an all-star in Central League in 1967-68 . . . Averaged 1.53 points per game in 1972-73.

Season	Club	GP	G	A	Pts.
1969-70	Toronto M.L.	18	0	1	1
1971-72	Vancouver	71	2	4	6
	Totals	89	2	5	7
1972-73	New York	77	51	67	118

PETER DONNELLY 25 5-8 155 **Goaltender**

The Detroit native proved to be one of the WHA's more effective goalers in 1972-73 when he sported an average of 3.56 in 47 games for the New York Raiders . . . Came to the Blazers in the Lacroix-Ward trade . . . Started out in the Red Wings' system . . . Won tryout with Buffalo but opted for the WHA instead . . . Pete picked up the only two shutouts by the

sieve-like Raiders . . . Born June 14, 1948 . . . Married to a French-Canadian lass, Donnelly now lives in Quebec City and is an antique collector.

Season	Club	GP	GA	Sho	AVE
1972-73	New York....	47	155	2	3.56

COACH PHIL WATSON: There isn't much he hasn't done in hockey . . . coaching, scouting, playing, serving as a general manager . . . Originally signed with the Blazers as chief scout . . . Moved into coaching slot when John McKenzie found triple duties hard to handle . . . Responsible for brilliant scouting job that landed Blazers their first four picks . . . Former coach of the New York Rangers . . . Strict disciplinarian . . . Known as tough minded, on and off the ice . . . Under his guidance, Blazers came from way off pace to playoff spot.

Hockey Lingo

Attacking Zone—Area from an opponent's blue line to goal line.

Back Checking—To check an opponent in your defending zone.

Blue Lines—Two lines, one at each end of the rink, 60 feet from the goal line, which define the attacking zone. They are also used to determine offsides. No attacking player may precede the puck over the defending team's blueline.

Board Checking—To ride or drive an opponent into the dasher boards. Often results in a minor penalty.

Body Check—To use your body to block or hit an opponent. Legal only when the man hit has the puck or was the last player to have touched it.

Charging—If more than three strides are taken before checking an opponent, it is charging. Illegal and calls for a minor penalty.

Checking—Defending against or guarding an opponent. On a line, a right wing checks the other team's left wing and a left wing checks the opposing right wing. Centers check each other. Checking requires harassing an opposing skater with the aim of making him surrender the puck.

Crease—The rectangular area marked off in front of each net. Only a goalie is permitted in the crease and no player may score from there unless he is being pinned in by a defending player.

Cross Checking—To hit an opponent with both hands on the stick and no part of the stick on the ice. Illegal and calls for a penalty.

Curved Stick—A stick with a concave rather than flat blade.

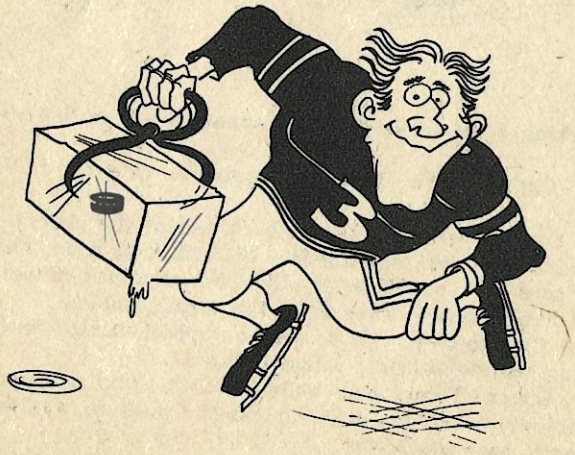
Defending Zone—The area from a team's goal line to its blue line.

Deke—To feint or shift an opponent out of position.

Elbowing—Hitting an opponent with the elbow. Illegal and calls for a minor penalty.

Face-Off—The dropping of the puck between two opposing players to start play. Face-offs follow goals or other stoppages of action and are to hockey what the jump ball is to basketball.

Fore-checking—Checking the opponent in his own zone.



Freezing the Puck—Pinning the puck against the boards with

either your skate or stick to force a stoppage of play and a face-off. Sometimes can result in a delay of game penalty if no opposing player is on the puck.

Hat Trick—Three (or more) goals by a single player in a game.

Head-manning—Always advancing the puck to a teammate up ice. Never retreating. This is a favorite maneuver of the Montreal Canadiens.

High Sticking—The carrying of the stick above shoulder level. Always illegal and calls for a minor penalty if one player hits another in this way or a face-off if no other infraction occurs.

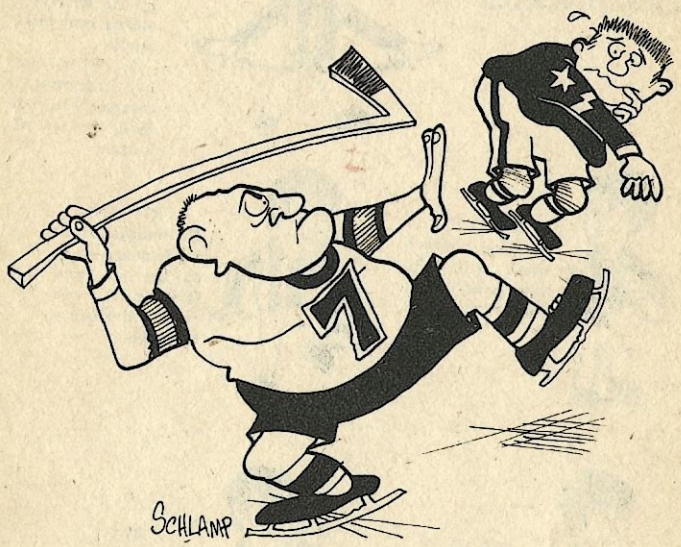
Holding—To use your hands on an opponent or his equipment. Illegal and calls for a minor penalty.

Hooking—To impede an opponent with the blade of your stick. Illegal and calls for a minor penalty.

Icing the Puck—Shooting the puck from behind the center red line across an opponent's goal line. Usually done to break up an attack and ease pressure. The puck is brought back and a face-off takes place in the defensive zone of the team that iced the puck. No icing is called against a team that is short-handed because of a penalty.

Interference—Body contact with a man not in possession of the puck or who was not the last man to touch the puck. Also called for knocking an opponent's fallen stick out of his reach. Illegal and calls for a minor penalty.
Kneeing—Using the knee to check an opponent. Illegal and calls for a minor penalty.
Major Penalty—A five minute penalty. (For example, for fighting or spearing.)
Match Penalty—Suspension for the balance of the game.
Minor Penalty—A two-minute penalty. Most penalties are minors.
Misconduct Penalty—A 10-minute penalty against an individual, not a team. A substitute is permitted. Called for various forms of unacceptable behavior or when a player incurs a second major penalty in a game.
Neutral Zone—That area between blue lines. The center ice area.
Off-Sides—Called when an attacking player precedes the puck across the opponent's blueline. Illegal and calls for a face-off.
Off-Sides Pass—Called when the puck is passed to a teammate across two or more lines. Illegal and calls for a face-off from point where the pass originated.
Penalty Killer—A player whose job it is to use up time while a teammate is serving a penalty. The best penalty killers are fast skaters who can break up a power play. Once in possession of the puck, the penalty killer tries to hold onto it and seldom tries to attack. He is content to waste time until his team is at full strength again.
Playmaker—Usually a center whose skating and puck-carrying ability enable him to set up or make a play that can lead to a goal.
Poke Check—The quick thrust of the stick to take a puck away from an opposing player. Usually done best by defensemen rather than forwards. Legal.
Power Play—A manpower advantage resulting from a penalty to the opposing team. Usually four forwards and one defenseman will be used to increase the attacking team's scoring potential.
Puck—The vulcanized rubber disc used in hockey.
Red Line—The line that divides the ice in half. Allows defending teams to clear the puck out of the defensive zone up to mid-ice without incurring an off-sides.
Roughing—Minor fisticuffs or shoving. Illegal and calls for a minor penalty.

Slap Shot—When a player winds and slaps his stick at the puck. Usually a player's strongest shot.
Slashing—To swing stick at an opponent. Illegal and calls for a minor penalty.



Spearing—To use the stick as one would a spear. Illegal and calls for a major penalty.
Stick Handling—The art of carrying the puck with the stick.
Sweep Check—To swing stick along the ice to intercept the puck or hamper an opponent. Legal.
Wash-Out—Disallowing of a goal by a referee; or disallowing of icing or off-sides by a linesman.

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Official Signals

"WASH-OUT"
Both arms swung laterally across the body with palms down:
1. When used by the Referee it means goal disallowed.
2. When used by Linesmen it means there is no icing or no offside.

HOLDING
Clasping either wrist with the other hand well in front of the chest.

TRIPPING
Extending right leg forward, clear of the ice, and striking it with right hand below the knee.

HOOKING
A series of tugging motions with both arms, as if pulling something toward the stomach.

HIGH-STICKING
Holding both fists, clenched, one immediately above the other, at the height of the forehead.

INTERFERENCE
Crossed arms stationary in front of chest.

SLASHING
A series of chopping motions with the edge of one hand across the opposite forearm.

CHARGING
Rotating clenched fists around one another in front of chest.

DELAYED CALLING OF PENALTY
Referee extends arm and points once to penalized player.

CROSS-CHECKING
A series of forward and backward motions with both fists clenched extending from the chest.

ICING
Arms folded across the chest.

ELBOWING
Tapping either elbow with the opposite hand.

SLOW WHISTLE
Arm, in which whistle is not held, extended above head. If play returns to Neutral Zone without stoppage, arm is drawn down the instant the puck crosses the line.

MISCONDUCT
Placing of both hands on hips several times and pointing to penalized player.

BOARDING
Pounding the closed fist of one hand into the open palm of the other hand.

OFFICIAL 1973 NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE STATISTICS

FINAL STANDINGS

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
MONTREAL	78	52	10	16	329	184	120
BOSTON	78	51	22	5	330	235	107
NY RANGERS	78	47	23	8	297	208	102
BUFFALO	78	37	27	14	257	219	88
DETROIT	78	37	29	12	265	243	86
TORONTO	78	27	41	10	247	279	64
VANCOUVER	78	22	47	9	233	339	53
NY ISLANDERS	78	12	60	6	170	347	30

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
CHICAGO	78	42	27	9	284	225	93
PHILADELPHIA	78	37	30	11	296	256	85
MINNESOTA	78	37	30	11	254	230	85
ST. LOUIS	78	32	34	12	233	251	76
PITTSBURGH	78	32	37	9	257	265	73
LOS ANGELES	78	31	36	11	232	245	73
ATLANTA	78	25	38	15	191	239	65
CALIFORNIA	78	16	46	16	213	323	48

BREAKDOWN OF TEAM STANDINGS

	Against Own Division							Against Other Division						
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
EAST DIVISION														
MTL.	38	27	4	7	151	84	61	40	25	6	9	178	100	59
BOS.	38	24	12	2	175	128	50	40	27	10	3	155	107	57
NYR.	38	20	15	3	134	112	43	40	27	8	5	163	96	59
BUF.	38	20	14	4	131	111	44	40	17	13	10	126	108	44
DET.	38	20	13	5	137	111	45	40	17	16	7	128	132	41
TOR.	38	11	25	2	120	148	24	40	16	16	8	127	131	40
VAN.	38	11	22	5	121	173	27	40	11	25	4	112	166	26
NYI.	38	4	32	2	78	180	10	40	8	28	4	92	167	20
TOTAL	304	137	137	30	1047	1047	304	320	148	122	50	1081	1007	346
WEST DIVISION														
CHI.	38	19	15	4	136	101	42	40	23	12	5	148	124	51
PHIL.	38	20	13	5	134	114	45	40	17	17	6	162	142	40
MINN.	38	19	14	5	124	107	43	40	18	16	6	130	123	42
S.L.	38	16	15	7	122	120	39	40	16	19	5	111	131	37
PITT.	38	20	16	2	141	133	42	40	12	21	7	116	132	31
L.A.	38	17	16	5	102	104	39	40	14	20	6	130	141	34
ATL.	38	11	19	8	93	122	30	40	14	19	7	98	117	35
CAL.	38	8	22	8	101	152	24	40	8	24	8	112	171	24
TOTAL	304	130	130	44	953	953	304	320	122	148	50	1007	1081	294

TEAMS' HOME-AND-AWAY RECORD

	At Home							On the Road						
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
EAST DIVISION														
MTL.	39	29	4	6	174	92	64	39	23	6	10	155	92	56
BOS.	39	27	10	2	185	111	56	39	24	12	3	145	124	51
NYR.	39	26	8	5	162	84	57	39	21	15	3	135	124	45
BUF.	39	30	6	3	162	80	63	39	7	21	11	95	139	25
DET.	39	22	12	5	151	111	49	39	15	17	7	114	132	37
TOR.	39	20	12	7	147	115	47	39	7	29	3	100	164	17
VAN.	39	17	18	4	133	143	38	39	5	29	5	100	196	15
NYI.	39	10	25	4	100	143	24	39	2	35	2	70	204	6
TOTAL	312	181	95	36	1214	879	398	312	104	164	44	914	1175	252

TEAMS' HOME AND AWAY RECORD (Continued)

	At Home							On the Road						
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
WEST DIVISION														
CHI.	39	26	9	4	161	94	56	39	16	18	5	123	131	37
PHIL.	39	27	8	4	177	100	58	39	10	22	7	119	156	27
MINN.	39	26	8	5	154	95	57	39	11	22	6	100	135	28
S.L.	39	21	11	7	137	103	49	39	11	23	5	96	148	27
PITT.	39	24	11	4	150	104	52	39	8	26	5	107	161	21
L.A.	39	21	11	7	136	101	49	39	10	25	4	96	144	24
ATL.	39	16	16	7	106	105	39	39	9	22	8	85	134	26
CAL.	39	11	15	13	126	146	35	39	5	31	3	87	177	13
TOTAL	312	172	89	51	1147	848	395	312	80	189	43	813	1186	203
OVER-ALL TOTAL	624	353	184	87	2361	1727	793	624	184	353	87	1727	2361	455

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY RECORDS

REGULAR SCHEDULE

SCORING LEADERS FOR ART ROSS TROPHY

Player	Team	Games Played	Goals	Assists	Points	Pen. In Mins.
Phil Esposito	Bos.	78	55	75	130	87
Bobby Clarke	Phil.	78	37	67	104	80
Bobby Orr	Bos.	63	29	72	101	99
Rick MacLeish	Phil.	78	50	50	100	69
Jacque Lemaire	Mtl.	77	44	51	95	16
Jean Ratelle	NYR.	78	41	53	94	12
Mickey Redmond	Det.	76	52	41	93	24
John Bucyk	Bos.	78	40	53	93	12
Frank Mahovlich	Mtl.	78	38	55	93	51
Jim Pappin	Chi.	76	41	51	92	82
Marcel Dionne	Det.	77	40	50	90	21
Dennis Hull	Chi.	78	39	51	90	27
Pit Martin	Chi.	78	29	61	90	30
Gilbert Perreault	Buf.	78	28	60	88	10
Syl Apps	Pitt.	77	29	56	85	18
Rod Gilbert	NYR.	76	25	59	84	25
Stan Mikita	Chi.	57	27	56	83	32
Rene Robert	Buf.	75	40	43	83	83
Dennis Hextall	Minn.	78	30	52	82	140
Ken Hodge	Bos.	73	37	44	81	58
Garry Unger	S.L.	78	41	39	80	119
Yvan Cournoyer	Mtl.	67	40	39	79	18
Gary Dornhoefer	Phil.	77	30	49	79	168
Fred Stanfield	Bos.	78	20	58	78	10
Darryl Sittler	Tor.	78	29	48	77	69

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY RECORDS BY TEAM — 1972-73

	Regular Season					
Bob Leiter	Atl.	78	26	34	60	19
Larry Romanchych	Atl.	70	18	30	48	39
Reynald Comeau	Atl.	77	21	21	42	19
Keith McCreary	Atl.	77	20	21	41	21
Curt Bennett	NYR.	16	0	1	1	11
	Atl.	52	18	17	35	9
	Total	68	18	18	36	20
Randy Manery	Atl.	78	5	30	35	44
John Stewart	Atl.	68	17	17	34	30
Leon Rochefort	Det.	20	2	4	6	2
	Atl.	54	9	18	27	10
	Total	74	11	22	33	12
Jacques Richard	Atl.	74	13	18	31	32
Bill MacMillan	Atl.	78	10	15	25	52
Pat Quinn	Atl.	78	2	18	20	113
Lew Morrison	Atl.	78	6	9	15	19

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY RECORDS BY TEAM — 1972-73 (Continued)

Player	Team	Games Played	Goals	Assists	Points	Pen. In Mins.
Noel Price	Atl.	54	1	13	14	38
Arnie Brown	NYI.	48	4	8	12	27
	Atl.	15	1	0	1	17
	Total	63	5	8	13	44
Bill Plager	Atl.	76	2	11	13	92
Noel Picard	S.L.	16	1	0	1	10
	Atl.	41	0	10	10	43
	Total	57	1	10	11	53
Bob Paradise	Atl.	71	1	7	8	103
Butch Deadmarsh	Buf.	34	1	1	2	26
	Atl.	19	1	0	1	8
	Total	53	2	1	3	34
Morris Stefaniw	Atl.	13	1	1	2	2
Kerry Ketter	Atl.	41	0	2	2	58
Dan Bouchard	Atl.	34	0	1	1	12
Phil Myre	Atl.	46	0	1	1	5
Phil Esposito	Bos.	78	55	75	130	87
Bobby Orr	Bos.	63	29	72	101	99
John Bucyk	Bos.	78	40	53	93	12
Ken Hodge	Bos.	73	37	44	81	58
Fred Stanfield	Bos.	78	20	58	78	10
Wayne Cashman	Bos.	76	29	39	68	100
Don Marcotte	Bos.	78	24	31	55	49
Greg Sheppard	Bos.	64	24	26	50	18
Mike Walton	Bos.	56	25	22	47	37
Carol Vadnais	Bos.	78	7	24	31	127
Dallas Smith	Bos.	78	4	27	31	72
Terry O'Reilly	Bos.	72	5	22	27	109
Don Awrey	Bos.	78	2	17	19	90
Derek Sanderson	Bos.	25	5	10	15	38
Fred Odonnell	Bos.	72	10	4	14	55
Doug Roberts	Bos.	45	4	7	11	7
Nick Beverley	Bos.	76	1	10	11	26
Gary Doak	Det.	44	0	5	5	51
	Bos.	5	0	0	0	2
	Total	49	0	5	5	53
Rich Leduc	Bos.	5	1	1	2	2
Jacques Plante	Tor.	32	0	0	0	0
	Bos.	8	0	2	2	2
	Total	40	0	2	2	2
Matt Ravlich	Bos.	5	0	1	1	0
Ross Brooks	Bos.	16	0	1	1	0
Ed Johnston	Bos.	45	0	1	1	2
Chris Oddleifson	Bos.	6	0	0	0	0
Ron Jones	Bos.	7	0	0	0	2
Gilbert Perreault	Buf.	78	28	60	88	10
Rene Robert	Buf.	75	40	43	83	83
Richard Martin	Buf.	75	37	36	73	79
Jim Lorentz	Buf.	78	27	35	62	30
Gerry Meehan	Buf.	77	31	29	60	21
Don Luce	Buf.	78	18	25	43	32
Hugh Harris	Buf.	60	12	26	38	17
Larry Hillman	Buf.	78	5	24	29	56
Craig Ramsay	Buf.	76	11	17	28	15
Larry Mickey	Buf.	77	15	9	24	47
Mike Robitaille	Buf.	65	4	17	21	40
Norm Gratton	Atl.	29	3	6	9	12
	Buf.	21	6	5	11	12
	Total	50	9	11	20	24
Jim Schoenfeld	Buf.	66	4	15	19	178
Steve Atkinson	Buf.	61	9	9	18	36
Tim Horton	Buf.	69	1	16	17	56
Tracy Pratt	Buf.	74	1	15	16	116
Larry Carriere	Buf.	40	2	8	10	52

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY RECORDS BY TEAM — 1972-73 (Continued)

Player	Team	Games Played	Goals	Assists	Points	Pen. In Mins.
Paul Terbenche	Buf.	42	0	7	7	8
Randy Wyrozub	Buf.	45	3	3	6	4
Doug Rombough	Buf.	5	2	0	2	0
Rick Dudley	Buf.	6	0	1	1	7
John Gould	Buf.	8	0	1	1	0
Ron Busniuk	Buf.	1	0	0	0	9
Ray McKay	Buf.	1	0	0	0	0
Bob Richer	Buf.	3	0	0	0	0
Roger Crozier	Buf.	49	0	0	0	4
Walt McKechnie	Cal.	78	16	38	54	58
Hilliard Graves	Cal.	75	27	25	52	34
Joey Johnston	Cal.	71	28	21	49	62
Craig Patrick	Cal.	71	20	22	42	6
Pete Laframboise	Cal.	77	16	25	41	26
Stan Weir	Cal.	78	15	24	39	16
Reg Leach	Cal.	76	23	12	35	45
Ivan Boldirev	Cal.	56	11	23	34	58
Rick Smith	Cal.	64	9	24	33	77
Marshall Johnston	Cal.	78	10	20	30	14
Darryl Maggs	Chi.	17	0	0	0	4
	Cal.	54	7	15	22	46
	Total	71	7	15	22	50
Gary Croteau	Cal.	47	6	15	21	8
Stan Gilbertson	Cal.	66	6	15	21	19
Bob Stewart	Cal.	63	4	17	21	181
Ted McAneeley	Cal.	77	4	13	17	75
Morris Mott	Cal.	70	6	7	13	8
Terry Murray	Cal.	23	0	3	3	4
Gilles Meloche	Cal.	59	0	2	2	4
Marv Edwards	Cal.	21	0	1	1	6
Pete Vipond	Cal.	3	0	0	0	0
Brent Meeke	Cal.	3	0	0	0	0
Del Hall	Cal.	6	0	0	0	0
Jim Pappin	Chi.	76	41	51	92	82
Dennis Hull	Chi.	78	39	51	90	27
Pit Martin	Chi.	78	29	61	90	30
Stan Mikita	Chi.	57	27	56	83	32
Ralph Backstrom	L.A.	63	20	29	49	6
	Chi.	16	6	3	9	2
	Total	79	26	32	58	8
Cliff Koroll	Chi.	77	33	24	57	38
Bill White	Chi.	72	9	38	47	80
Dick Redmond	Cal.	24	3	13	16	22
	Chi.	52	9	19	28	4
	Total	76	12	32	44	26
Lou Angotti	Chi.	77	15	22	37	26
Chico Maki	Chi.	77	13	19	32	10
Pat Stapleton	Chi.	75	10	21	31	14
J.-P. Bordeleau	Chi.	73	15	15	30	6
Jerry Korab	Chi.	77	12	15	27	94
Phil Russell	Chi.	76	6	19	25	156
Keith Magnuson	Chi.	77	0	19	19	140
John Marks	Chi.	55	3	10	13	21
Doug Jarrett	Chi.	49	2	11	13	18
Brian Ogilvie	Chi.	12	1	2	3	4
Tony Esposito	Chi.	56	0	2	2	0
Dave Kryskow	Chi.	11	1	0	1	0
Maurice Labbe	Chi.	5	0	1	1	0
Walt Ledingham	Chi.	9	0	1	1	4
Gary Smith	Chi.	23	0	0	0	5
Mickey Redmond	Det.	76	52	41	93	24
Marcel Dionne	Det.	77	40	50	90	21
Alex Delvecchio	Det.	77	18	53	71	13

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY RECORDS BY TEAM — 1972-73 (Continued)

Player	Team	Games Played	Goals	Assists	Points	Pen. In Mins.
Nick Libett	Det.	78	19	34	53	56
Tim Ecclestone	Det.	78	18	30	48	28
Red Berenson	Det.	78	13	30	43	8
Bill Collins	Det.	78	21	21	42	44
Al Karlander	Det.	77	15	22	37	25
Guy Charron	Det.	75	18	18	36	23
Garnet Bailey	Bos.	57	8	13	21	89
	Det.	13	2	11	13	16
	Total	70	10	24	34	105
Ron Stackhouse	Det.	78	5	29	34	82
Gary Bergman	Det.	68	3	28	31	71
Henry Boucha	Det.	73	14	14	28	82
Thommie Bergman	Det.	75	9	12	21	70
Len Fontaine	Det.	39	8	10	18	6
Brian Lavender	NYI.	43	6	6	12	47
	Det.	26	2	2	4	14
	Total	69	8	8	16	61
Larry Johnston	Det.	73	1	12	13	169
Ken Murray	NYI.	39	0	4	4	59
	Det.	31	1	1	2	36
	Total	70	1	5	6	95
Bill Hogaboam	Atl.	2	0	0	0	0
	Det.	4	1	0	1	2
	Total	6	1	0	1	2
Serge Lajeunesse	Det.	28	0	1	1	26
Danny Gruen	Det.	2	0	0	0	0
Robbie Ftorek	Det.	3	0	0	0	0
Rick Newell	Det.	3	0	0	0	0
Roy Edwards	Det.	52	0	0	0	4
Juha Widing	L.A.	77	16	54	70	30
Serge Bernier	L.A.	75	22	46	68	43
Mike Corrigan	L.A.	78	37	30	67	146
Bob Berry	L.A.	78	36	28	64	75
Butch Goring	L.A.	67	28	31	59	2
Gilles Marotte	L.A.	78	6	39	45	70
Dan Maloney	Chi.	57	13	17	30	63
	L.A.	14	4	7	11	18
	Total	71	17	24	41	81
Frank St. Marseille	S.L.	45	7	18	25	8
	L.A.	29	7	4	11	2
	Total	74	14	22	36	10
Vic Venasky	L.A.	77	15	19	34	10
Don Kozak	L.A.	72	14	6	20	104
Bill Lesuk	L.A.	67	6	14	20	90
Real Lemieux	L.A.	74	5	10	15	19
Harry Howell	L.A.	73	4	11	15	28
Barry Long	L.A.	70	2	13	15	48
Jim Peters	L.A.	77	4	5	9	0
Neil Komadoski	L.A.	62	1	8	9	67
Terry Harper	L.A.	77	1	8	9	74
Larry Brown	L.A.	55	0	7	7	8
Doug Volmar	L.A.	21	4	2	6	16
Phil Hoene	L.A.	4	0	1	1	0
Gary Edwards	L.A.	27	0	1	1	0
Rogatien Vachon	L.A.	53	0	1	1	2
Dennis Hextall	Minn.	78	30	52	82	140
Jean Paul Parise	Minn.	78	27	48	75	96
Jude Drouin	Minn.	78	27	46	73	61
Danny Grant	Minn.	78	32	35	67	12
Bill Goldsworthy	Minn.	75	27	33	60	97
Fred Harvey	Minn.	68	21	34	55	16
Dean Prentice	Minn.	73	26	16	42	22
Murray Oliver	Minn.	75	11	31	42	10
Lou Nanne	Minn.	74	15	20	35	39

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY RECORDS BY TEAM — 1972-73 (Continued)

Player	Team	Games Played	Goals	Assists	Points	Pen. In Mins.
Barry Gibbs	Minn.	63	10	24	34	54
Ted Harris	Minn.	78	7	23	30	83
Bob Nevin	Minn.	66	5	13	18	0
Don Blackburn	NYI.	56	7	10	17	20
	Minn.	4	0	0	0	4
	Total	60	7	10	17	24
Doug Mohns	Minn.	67	4	13	17	52
Dennis O'Brien	Minn.	74	3	11	14	75
Tom Reid	Minn.	60	1	13	14	50
Charlie Burns	Minn.	65	4	7	11	13
Fred Barrett	Minn.	46	2	4	6	21
Terry Holbrook	Minn.	21	2	3	5	0
Jerry Byers	Minn.	14	0	2	2	6
Jim McElmury	Minn.	7	0	1	1	2
Lorne Worsley	Minn.	12	0	1	1	22
Bruce McIntosh	Minn.	2	0	0	0	0
Gilles Gilbert	Minn.	21	0	0	0	4
Cesare Maniago	Minn.	47	0	0	0	2
Jacques Lemaire	Mtl.	77	44	51	95	16
Frank Mahovlich	Mtl.	78	38	55	93	51
Yvan Cournoyer	Mtl.	67	40	39	79	18
Pete Mahovlich	Mtl.	61	21	38	59	49
Guy Lafleur	Mtl.	69	28	27	55	51
Guy Lapointe	Mtl.	76	19	35	54	117
Marc Tardif	Mtl.	76	25	25	50	48
Rejean Houle	Mtl.	72	13	35	48	36
Chuck Lefley	Mtl.	65	21	25	46	22
Henri Richard	Mtl.	71	8	35	43	21
Serge Savard	Mtl.	74	7	32	39	58
Claude Larose	Mtl.	73	11	23	34	30
Jim Roberts	Mtl.	77	14	18	32	28
Murray Wilson	Mtl.	52	18	9	27	16
Bob Murdoch	Mtl.	69	2	22	24	55
Jacques Laperriere	Mtl.	57	7	16	23	34
Steve Shutt	Mtl.	50	8	8	16	24
Pierre Bouchard	Mtl.	41	0	7	7	69
Larry Robinson	Mtl.	36	2	4	6	20
Ken Dryden	Mtl.	54	0	4	4	2
Randy Rota	Mtl.	2	1	1	2	0
Dave Gardner	Mtl.	5	1	1	2	0
Chuck Arnason	Mtl.	19	1	1	2	2
Dale Hoganson	Mtl.	25	0	2	2	2
Wayne Thomas	Mtl.	10	0	1	1	2
Yvon Lambert	Mtl.	1	0	0	0	0
Michel Plasse	Mtl.	17	0	0	0	4
Bill Harris	NYI.	78	28	22	50	35
Ed Westfall	NYI.	67	15	31	46	25
Germain Gagnon	NYI.	63	12	29	41	31
Brian Spencer	NYI.	78	14	24	38	90
Ernie Hicke	Atl.	58	14	23	37	37
	NYI.	1	0	0	0	0
	Total	59	14	23	37	37
Craig Cameron	NYI.	72	19	14	33	27
Dave Hudson	NYI.	69	12	19	31	17
Tom Miller	NYI.	69	13	17	30	21
Lorne Henning	NYI.	63	7	19	26	14
Bob Cook	Det.	13	3	1	4	4
	NYI.	33	8	6	14	14
	Total	46	11	7	18	18
Jean Potvin	Phil.	35	3	9	12	10
	NYI.	10	0	1	1	0
	Total	45	3	10	13	10
Ralph Stewart	NYI.	31	4	10	14	4
Gerry Hart	NYI.	47	1	11	12	158

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY RECORDS BY TEAM — 1972-73 (Continued)

Player	Team	Games Played	Goals	Assists	Points	Pen. In Mins.
Bill Mikkelson	NYI.	72	1	10	11	45
Bryan Lefley	NYI.	63	3	7	10	56
Brian Marchinko	NYI.	36	2	6	8	0
Ron Stewart	NYR.	11	0	1	1	0
	NYI.	22	2	2	4	4
	Total	33	2	3	5	4
Neil Nicholson	NYI.	30	3	1	4	23
Richard Grenier	NYI.	10	1	1	2	2
Bob Nystrom	NYI.	11	1	1	2	10
Ron Smith	NYI.	11	1	1	2	14
Gary Howatt	NYI.	8	0	1	1	18
Dave Pulkkinen	NYI.	2	0	0	0	0
Billy Smith	NYI.	37	0	0	0	42
Gerry Desjardins	NYI.	44	0	0	0	9
Jean Ratelle	NYR.	78	41	53	94	12
Rod Gilbert	NYR.	76	25	59	84	25
Walt Tkaczuk	NYR.	76	27	39	66	59
Bill Fairbairn	NYR.	78	30	33	63	23
Vic Hadfield	NYR.	63	28	34	62	60
Pete Stemkowski	NYR.	78	22	37	59	71
Steve Vickers	NYR.	61	30	23	53	37
Mike Murphy	S.L.	64	18	27	45	48
	NYR.	15	4	4	8	5
Brad Park	Total	79	22	31	53	53
Bobby Rousseau	NYR.	52	10	43	53	51
Rod Seiling	NYR.	78	8	37	45	14
Dale Rolfe	NYR.	72	9	33	42	36
Bruce MacGregor	NYR.	72	7	25	32	74
Glen Sather	NYR.	52	14	12	26	12
Ted Irvine	NYR.	77	11	15	26	64
Jim Neilson	NYR.	53	8	12	20	54
Gene Carr	NYR.	52	4	16	20	35
Ron Harris	Atl.	50	9	10	19	50
	NYR.	24	2	4	6	8
Bert Marshall	Total	46	3	10	13	17
	Cal.	70	5	14	19	25
	NYR.	55	2	6	8	71
Randy Legge	Total	8	0	0	0	14
Ed Giacomin	NYR.	63	2	6	8	85
Bill Heindl	NYR.	12	0	2	2	2
Jerry Butler	NYR.	43	0	2	2	6
Larry Sacharuk	NYR.	4	1	0	1	0
Sheldon Kannegeisser	NYR.	8	1	0	1	4
	Pitt.	8	1	0	1	0
	NYR.	3	0	0	0	0
Tom Williams	Total	3	0	1	1	4
Gilles Villemure	NYR.	6	0	1	1	4
	NYR.	8	0	1	1	0
Bobby Clarke		34	0	0	0	2
Rick MacLeish	Phil.	78	37	67	104	80
Gary Dornhoefer	Phil.	78	50	50	100	69
Bill Flett	Phil.	77	30	49	79	168
Bill Barber	Phil.	69	43	31	74	53
Ross Lonsberry	Phil.	69	30	34	64	46
Tom Bladon	Phil.	77	21	29	50	59
Simon Nolet	Phil.	78	11	31	42	26
Andre Dupont	S.L.	70	16	20	36	6
	Phil.	25	1	6	7	51
Bill Clement	Total	46	3	20	23	164
Terry Crisp	Phil.	71	4	26	30	215
	NYI.	73	14	14	28	51
	Phil.	54	4	16	20	6
	Total	12	1	5	6	2
		66	5	21	26	8

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY RECORDS BY TEAM — 1972-73 (Continued)

Player	Team	Games Played	Goals	Assists	Points	Pen. In Mins.
Joe Watson	Phil.	63	2	24	26	46
Don Saleski	Phil.	78	12	9	21	205
Bob Kelly	Phil.	77	10	11	21	238
Dave Schultz	Phil.	76	9	12	21	259
Barry Ashbee	Phil.	64	1	17	18	106
Ed Van Impe	Phil.	72	1	11	12	76
Wayne Hillman	Phil.	74	0	10	10	33
Doug Favell	Phil.	44	0	2	2	4
Willie Brossart	Phil.	4	0	1	1	0
Jim Watson	Phil.	4	0	1	1	5
Larry Wright	Phil.	9	0	1	1	4
Michel Belhumeur	Phil.	23	0	1	1	2
Bobby Taylor	Phil.	23	0	1	1	0
Orest Kindrachuk	Phil.	2	0	0	0	0
Syl Apps	Pitt.	77	29	56	85	18
Al McDonough	Pitt.	78	35	41	76	26
Lowell MacDonald	Pitt.	78	34	41	75	8
Bryan Hextall	Pitt.	78	21	33	54	113
Greg Polis	Pitt.	78	26	23	49	36
Ron Schock	Pitt.	78	13	36	49	23
Eddie Shack	Pitt.	74	25	20	45	84
Jean Pronovost	Pitt.	66	21	22	43	16
Darryl Edestrand	Pitt.	78	15	24	39	88
Dave Burrows	Pitt.	78	3	24	27	42
Nick Harbaruk	Pitt.	78	10	15	25	47
Ken Schinkel	Pitt.	42	11	10	21	16
Duane Rupp	Pitt.	78	7	13	20	62
Jack Lynch	Pitt.	47	1	18	19	40
Bryan Watson	Pitt.	69	1	17	18	179
Rick Kessell	Pitt.	67	1	13	14	0
Jean-Guy Lagace	Pitt.	31	1	5	6	32
Steve Cardwell	Pitt.	20	2	2	4	2
Jim Shires	Pitt.	18	1	2	3	2
Robin Burns	Pitt.	26	0	2	2	20
Jim Wiley	Pitt.	4	0	1	1	0
Cam Newton	Pitt.	11	0	1	1	2
Denis Herron	Pitt.	18	0	1	1	0
Ron Lalonde	Pitt.	9	0	0	0	2
Andy Brown	Det.	7	0	0	0	0
	Pitt.	9	0	0	0	4
	Total	16	0	0	0	4
Garry Unger	S.L.	78	41	39	80	119
Jack Egers	S.L.	78	24	24	48	26
Gary Sabourin	S.L.	76	21	27	48	30
Phil Roberto	S.L.	77	20	22	42	99
Danny O'Shea	S.L.	75	12	26	38	30
Fran Huck	S.L.	58	16	20	36	20
Floyd Thomson	S.L.	75	14	20	34	71
Barclay Plager	S.L.	68	8	25	33	102
Bob Plager	S.L.	77	2	31	33	107
Ab DeMarco	NYR.	51	4	13	17	15
	S.L.	14	4	9	13	2
	Total	65	8	22	30	17
Pierre Plante	Phil.	2	0	3	3	0
	S.L.	49	12	13	25	56
	Total	51	12	16	28	56
Wayne Merrick	S.L.	50	10	11	21	10
Chris Evans	S.L.	77	9	12	21	31
Steve Durbano	S.L.	49	3	18	21	231
Brent Hughes	Phil.	29	2	11	13	32
	S.L.	8	1	1	2	0
	Total	37	3	12	15	32

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY RECORDS BY TEAM — 1972-73 (Continued)

Player	Team	Games Played	Goals	Assists	Points	Pen. in Mins.
Bob McCord	S.L.	43	1	13	14	33
Paul Curtis	L.A.	27	0	5	5	16
	S.L.	29	1	4	5	6
	Total	56	1	9	10	22
Jean Hamel	S.L.	55	2	7	9	24
Kevin O'Shea	S.L.	37	3	5	8	31
Mike Lampman	S.L.	18	2	3	5	2
Connie Madigan	S.L.	20	0	3	3	25
Chuck Hamilton	S.L.	3	0	2	2	2
Joe Noris	S.L.	2	0	0	0	0
Roger Lafreniere	S.L.	10	0	0	0	0
Bob Johnson	S.L.	12	0	0	0	17
Darryl Sittler	Tor.	78	29	48	77	69
Rick Kehoe	Tor.	77	33	42	75	20
Dave Keon	Tor.	76	37	36	73	2
Norm Ullman	Tor.	65	20	35	55	10
Jim McKenny	Tor.	77	11	41	52	55
Ron Ellis	Tor.	78	22	29	51	22
Pierre Jarry	Tor.	74	19	18	37	42
Denis Dupere	Tor.	61	13	23	36	10
Paul Henderson	Tor.	40	18	16	34	18
Errol Thompson	Tor.	68	13	19	32	8
Garry Monahan	Tor.	78	13	18	31	53
George Ferguson	Tor.	72	10	13	23	34
Mike Pelyk	Tor.	72	3	16	19	118
Brian Glennie	Tor.	44	1	10	11	54
Joe Lundrigan	Tor.	49	2	8	10	20
John Grisdale	Tor.	49	1	7	8	76
Dave Fortier	Tor.	23	1	4	5	63
Larry McIntyre	Tor.	40	0	3	3	26
Bob Baun	Tor.	5	1	1	2	4
Randy Osburn	Tor.	26	0	2	2	0
Terry Clancy	Tor.	32	0	1	1	6
Lyle Moffat	Tor.	1	0	0	0	0
Dale Smedsmo	Tor.	4	0	0	0	0
Ron Low	Tor.	42	0	0	0	4
Bobby Schmautz	Van.	77	38	33	71	137
Andre Boudrias	Van.	77	30	40	70	24
Richard Lemieux	Van.	78	17	35	52	41
Bobby Lalonde	Van.	77	20	27	47	32
Don Tannahill	Van.	78	22	21	43	21
Jocelyn Guevremont	Van.	78	16	26	42	46
Don Lever	Van.	78	12	26	38	49
Dale Tallon	Van.	75	13	24	37	83
John Wright	Van.	71	10	27	37	32
Dennis Kearns	Van.	72	4	33	37	51
Jerry O'Flaherty	Van.	78	13	17	30	29
Barry Wilkins	Van.	76	11	17	28	133
Orland Kurtenbach	Van.	47	9	19	28	38
Jim Mair	NYI.	49	2	11	13	41
	Van.	15	1	0	1	8
	Total	64	3	11	14	49
Gregg Boddy	Van.	74	3	11	14	70
Wayne Maki	Van.	26	3	10	13	6
Brian McSheffrey	Van.	33	4	4	8	10
Jim Hargreaves	Van.	59	1	6	7	72
Barry Wilcox	Van.	31	3	2	5	15
Dave Balon	Van.	57	3	2	5	22
Dunc Wilson	Van.	43	0	1	1	6
Ron Homenuke	Van.	1	0	0	0	0
Bruce Bullock	Van.	14	0	0	0	2
Larry Bolonchuk	Van.	15	0	0	0	6

GOALTENDERS' RECORD
REGULAR SCHEDULE

(All goals against a team in any game are charged to the individual goaltender of that game for purposes of awarding the Vezina Trophy).

Code: GPI—Games Played In; Mins.—Minutes Played; GA—Goals Against; SO—Shutouts; Ave.—60-minute average; E.N.G.—Empty-Net Goals (not counted in personal averages but included in team totals). Won-Lost-Tied record based on which goaltender was playing when winning or tying goal was scored.

Goaltenders	Team	GPI	Mins.	GA	E.N.G.	SO	Ave.	Record W	L	T
Ken Dryden	Mtl.	54	3165	119	1	6	2.26	33	7	13
Wayne Thomas	Mtl.	10	583	23	0	1	2.37	8	1	0
Michel Plasse	Mtl.	17	932	40	1	0	2.58	11	2	3
Montreal Totals		78	4680	184		7	2.36	52	10	16
Peter McDuffe	NYR.	1	60	1	0	0	1.00	1	0	0
Gilles Villemure	NYR.	34	2040	78	2	3	2.29	20	12	2
Ed Giacomin	NYR.	43	2580	125	2	4	2.91	26	11	6
NY Rangers Totals		78	4680	208		7	2.67	47	23	8
Dave Dryden	Buf.	37	2018	89	3	3	2.65	14	13	7
Roger Crozier	Buf.	49	2633	121	3	3	2.76	23	13	7
Rocky Farr	Buf.	1	29	3	0	0	6.21	0	1	0
Buffalo Totals		78	4680	219		6	2.81	37	27	14
Tony Esposito	Chi.	56	3340	140	6	4	2.51	32	17	7
Gary Smith	Chi.	23	1340	79	0	0	3.54	10	10	2
Chicago Totals		78	4680	225		4	2.88	42	27	9
Lorne Worsley	Minn.	12	624	30	0	0	2.88	6	2	3
Cesare Maniago	Minn.	47	2736	132	1	5	2.89	21	18	6
Gilles Gilbert	Minn.	22	1320	67	0	2	3.05	10	10	2
Minnesota Totals		78	4680	230		7	2.95	37	30	11
Jacques Plante	Bos.	8	480	16	0	2	2.00	7	1	0
Ross Brooks	Bos.	16	910	40	0	1	2.64	11	1	3
John Adams	Bos.	14	780	39	0	1	3.00	9	3	1
Ed Johnston	Bos.	45	2510	137	3	5	3.27	24	17	1
Boston Totals		78	4680	235		9	3.01	51	22	5
Phil Myre	Atl.	46	2736	138	1	2	3.03	16	23	5
Dan Bouchard	Atl.	34	1944	100	0	2	3.09	9	15	10
Atlanta Totals		78	4680	239		4	3.06	25	38	15
Roy Edwards	Det.	52	3012	132	4	6	2.63	27	17	7
Andy Brown	Det.	7	337	20	0	0	3.56	2	1	2
Denis DeJordy	Det.	24	1331	83	4	1	3.74	8	11	3
Detroit Totals		78	4680	243		7	3.12	37	29	12
Rogatien Vachon	L.A.	53	3120	148	3	4	2.85	22	20	10
Gary Edwards	L.A.	27	1560	94	0	1	3.62	9	16	1
Los Angeles Totals		78	4680	245		5	3.14	31	36	11
Bob Johnson	S.L.	12	583	26	0	0	2.68	6	5	0
Wayne Stephenson	S.L.	45	2535	128	2	1	3.03	18	15	7
Jacques Caron	S.L.	30	1562	92	3	1	3.53	8	14	5
St. Louis Totals		78	4680	251		2	3.22	32	34	12

GOALTENDERS' RECORD (Continued)

Goaltenders	Team	GPI	Mins.	GA	E.N.G.	SO	Ave.	Record W	L	T
Doug Favell	Phil.	44	2419	114	3	3	2.83	20	15	4
Michel Belhumeur	Phil.	23	1117	60	0	0	3.22	9	7	3
Bobby Taylor	Phil.	23	1144	78	1	0	4.09	8	8	4
Philadelphia Totals		78	4680	256		3	3.28	37	30	11
Jim Rutherford	Pitt.	49	2660	129	3	3	2.91	20	22	5
Denis Herron	Pitt.	18	967	55	0	2	3.41	6	7	2
Cam Newton	Pitt.	11	533	35	2	0	3.94	3	4	0
Andy Brown	Pitt.	9	520	41	0	0	4.73	3	4	2
Pittsburgh Totals		78	4680	265		5	3.40	32	37	9
Jacques Plante	Tor.	32	1717	87	0	1	3.04	8	14	6
Gordon McRae	Tor.	11	620	39	0	0	3.77	7	3	0
Ron Low	Tor.	42	2343	152	1	1	3.89	12	24	4
Plante-Low	Tor.	0	0	0	0	2	0.00	0	0	0
Toronto Totals		78	4680	279		4	3.58	27	41	10
Plante and Low shared shutout Nov. 25 against California.										
Plante and Low shared shutout Dec. 29 at Pittsburgh.										
Gilles Meloche	Cal.	59	3473	235	1	1	4.06	12	32	14
Marv Edwards	Cal.	21	1207	87	0	1	4.32	4	14	2
California Totals		78	4680	323		2	4.14	16	46	16
Dunc Wilson	Van.	43	2423	159	1	1	3.94	13	21	5
Ed Dyck	Van.	25	1297	98	3	1	4.53	5	17	1
Bruce Bullock	Van.	14	840	67	1	0	4.79	3	8	3
Dave McLelland	Van.	2	120	10	0	0	5.00	1	1	0
Vancouver Totals		78	4680	339		2	4.35	22	47	9
Billy Smith	NYI.	37	2122	147	0	0	4.16	7	24	3
Gerry Desjardins	NYI.	44	2498	195	0	0	4.68	5	35	3
Gerry Gray	NYI.	1	60	5	0	0	5.00	0	1	0
NY Islanders Totals		78	4680	347		0	4.45	12	60	6

PENALTIES IN MINUTES BY TEAMS

Team	Games	Total - Penalty Minutes	Bench Minutes	Ave. per Game
PHILADELPHIA	78	1756	12	22.5
ST. LOUIS	78	1195	4	15.3
BOSTON	78	1097	4	14.0
VANCOUVER	78	943	10	12.0
BUFFALO	78	940	2	12.0
DETROIT	78	893	14	11.4
LOS ANGELES	78	888	14	11.4
NY ISLANDERS	78	881	10	11.3
MINNESOTA	78	881	0	11.3
PITTSBURGH	78	866	6	11.1
CHICAGO	78	864	4	11.0
ATLANTA	78	852	10	10.9
CALIFORNIA	78	840	0	10.7
MONTREAL	78	783	8	10.0
NY RANGERS	78	765	8	9.8
TORONTO	78	716	2	9.1
TOTALS	**624**	**15,160**	**108**	**24.3**

(Ave. per game for both teams in Pen. Mins.)
(Bench Minors included in Total Penalty Minutes)

Hockey IQ Answers
(Test on Page 153)

1. (a)
2. Chicago, 21, even though its present coach, Billy Reay, has had the longest tenure of anyone currently coaching.

3. (d) Jean Beliveau (above) won in 1955-56 and 1963-64.
4. Dick Irvin—Chicago, Toronto and Montreal. Lynn Patrick—New York, Boston and St. Louis.
5. Ken Dryden of Montreal and Dave Dryden of Buffalo.
6. (b)
7. (c)
8. Boston, in 1924.
9. Bill "The Big Whistle" Chadwick, 1941-55.
10. 1e, 2d, 3a, 4c, 5b
11. St. Louis Arena (17,776).
12. Gump Worsley, winner of the award for the 1952-53 season, and still tending goal for the Minnesota North Stars.
13. Boston, 1970-71. Wayne Cashman, Phil Esposito and Ken Hodge combined for 336 points.
14. Named after Arthur Howie Russ, former coach of the Bruins, it is awarded to the highest scorer during the regular season.
15. (a)
16. Yes, once, in 1964.
17. Nine penalties totalling 48 minutes, by Jim Dorey, then with the Toronto Maple Leafs, currently with the New England Whalers of the WHA.
18. Albert Forrest, age 17, played for the Dawson City Klondikers in 1905.

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have gone in to ask for $30,000, they'd have thrown me out on my ear."

Item: Derek Sanderson, a flamboyant Namath-type, earned $13,000 per annum just three short years ago. Last summer, he gladly accepted a $2.65 million windfall from the Philadelphia Blazers, for whom he was expected to perform miracles of wizardry. He fell a couple million magic acts short, and was paid $1 million to *leave* Philadelphia. "It was a bad mistake," said Derek, upon returning to the Boston Bruins. His WHA legacy: three (3) goals, or $333,333.33 per tally. "Not a bad settlement," remarked his attorney.

Item: Denis Potvin, allegedly the next Bobby Orr, was selected as the No. 1 amateur in last spring's NHL amateur draft. He will collect no less than $400,000 of New York Islander currency over the next three years, even if he stands still at mid-ice swatting flies. "I should take my parents out to dinner," remarked the next Bobby Orr, "for having me at the time they did."

Item: Billy Harris, the next somebody, was selected as the No. 1 amateur in the 1971 NHL amateur draft. He was no bust, and he's collecting six figures each season, courtesy of the Islanders.

Item: Bob Neely, a pugnacious young defenseman, was the No. 1 choice in last May's WHA amateur flesh market. "Look," he decided, "I don't agree with all the money they're throwing around now, either. I don't think we're worth it. But as long as they're giving it, I might as well get in on it. That's why, for signing, I want a bonus of $50,000 and a new car. Preferably, a Grand Prix." The Chicago Cougars didn't satisfy Neely, so he up and signed with the Toronto Maple Leafs. At last report, he was not on food stamps, however.

Item: Gerry Cheevers, an outstanding goalie, helped the Boston Bruins win the Stanley Cup in 1972. He went unbeaten in 33 games during the regular season and thought he deserved a good raise. The Bruins didn't think he deserved that good a raise. So, Gerry Cheevers now stops shots for the Cleveland Crusaders at seven years divided into a million greenbacks. "That," said the masked man, "is the security I wanted."

Item: Marc Tardif, a rather good winger, wanted more money and a no-trade contract from the Montreal Canadiens last summer. The Habs said "nyet" to the latter request, and obviously didn't quench Tardif's thirst for dough, either. Even though playing for the Stanley Cup champions meant $20,000 in fringe benefits, Tardif vacated for the Los Angeles Sharks.

The fee: $350,000 for three years and no trades.

Item: Darryl Maggs, a promising study in sinew, reaped seven goals during the winter of 1972-73 while laboring for the California Golden Seals. He made no more than $20,000. The WHA Cougars wooed the former Black Hawk to come back to Chicago, where he belonged. He went "because it is a great hockey town." And, oh yes, the bread is more substantial. "What I made a year ago in salary," calculated Darryl, "is what I'm now paying my agent."

Item: The New York Rangers, in a save-the-team gesture, doubled their payroll from $800,000 to above $1.5 million last season, thanks to the WHA. Walt Tkaczuk, Brad Park, Vic Hadfield and Rod Gilbert all graduated to the $150,000 to $200,000 per annum class. Not bad considering all four were below the $50,000 mark the previous season and quite good considering, just a couple cold winters ago, Park took home a thin $15,000. Reacting angrily to the frequent accusation that the Gothams tried to buy the Stanley Cup, general manager Emile Francis growled, "What we do with our money is our own business." Burly Pete Stemkowski, a lesser paid Ranger, was moved to offer: "This is a very happy team. Even the goons make $80,000."

Well, have you had enough of this?

Boom Boom Geoffrion, coach of the Atlanta Flames, has.

"It's unbelievable," said the second man in NHL history to score 50 goals in one season. "Everything's gotten completely out of hand. The most I made for one season was $31,000, and the year after I scored 50, I was only making $28,000. That's nothing now."

Fred Shero, coach of the Philadelphia Flyers, has.

"They're making so much now that it's tough to discipline them," says the scholarly boss of the Mad Squad. "Last year, I fined a player $25 for being late to practice. The next day, a check comes to the office for the same player after he did some commercial or something. It was for $900. You see what I mean?"

Everybody sees it, but what do you do about it?

The players, savoring the NHL vs. WHA competition, say nothing should be done. It's about time they receive their just slice of the cake, they say. NHL revenue, they point out, has ballooned from $19 million in 1967 to $35 million in 1970 to about $50 million at present.

"The owners have been known to make money in this game, you know," exclaims Alan Eagleson, executive director of the NHL Players Association. "Now the players are seeking

a little more for themselves. The average salary in the league has grown from about $28,000 to over $40,000. The WHA is the best thing that ever happened to the players. And I guarantee you they'll fight any talk of a merger."

What with the current climate toward sports in the courtrooms, the players need not sweat. A merger seems far, far away, if ever.

Meanwhile, the statistics tell a decidedly sweet story for the skaters. In baseball and football, where there is no competition for services, the proportion of total league income devoted to player payrolls is less than 20%. But in the NHL, the athletes' share has topped 25%, and is moving inexorably toward the norms of the American Basketball Association (33%) and National Basketball Association (45%), which have shared a common battlefield longer than have the two hockey leagues.

"I'm afraid hockey is going to go the way of basketball," says Bob Woolf, the leading sports attorney in the country. "It's going to get worse before it gets better. As much as the hockey leagues are paying some of their players, the prices are still not as high as basketball. I watched the National Football League and American Football League go that route for a while, but then they merged. I don't think it will happen now, though."

You've got to lend both ears to Woolf. The more the players make, the more he makes. And yet he worries.

"I definitely feel things are getting way out of line," Woolf continues. "I negotiated Derek's contract, and I know that with some of the salaries the Philadelphia Blazers were paying, they could have filled their rink every night and still would have finished in the red."

The Philadelphia Blazers never did fill their rink very much, which is one good reason why they are now the Vancouver Blazers. They and the rest of the WHA franchises did have one edge over the NHL: it was cheaper to go into business. Down payment for entry was a mere $25,000. The New York Islanders, meanwhile, doled out a $6 million initiation fee to the NHL plus a $4 million indemnification to the nearby Rangers before they could sell a box of popcorn. On the other hand, NHL attendance far surpassed the WHA, some of whose teams performed in various degrees of secrecy.

"I tell my friends that the last thing I would recommend today is buying a hockey franchise," said Woolf. "A lot of these players are simply asking too much—I've told some of the people I handle the same thing. And next year, there'll be more confusion, because you'll have WHA contracts coming

up for renewal and players wanting to jump back.

"The drain will continue. Everybody's feeling it now, and they'll feel it more. I just hope it doesn't ruin the sport. It could get to the point where there's no profit in it anymore for anyone. That's what happened in Hollywood. The big stars wanted a bigger and bigger piece of the action when they made a picture, and pretty soon it didn't pay for the big movie houses to make any more. So they just folded up. I think the two hockey leagues could co-exist peacefully, and I'd like to see it happen soon."

And how would you like to be the Boston Bruins when the contracts of Bobby Orr and Phil Esposito expire? Both superstars signed when the WHA was just a figment of Clarence Campbell's nightmares and both, by today's standards, are grossly underfed. Orr subsists on a reported pittance of $1 million over five years, Esposito on $750,000 for the same span.

Oddly, it was Orr's stipend which provided the blueprint for the greatest booty of them all—Bobby Hull's $2.75 million fee to jump the NHL after 15 years of being its most electric performer. Hull and his advisor, Harvey Wineberg, asked the Chicago Black Hawks in mid-season for a contract that was one dollar better than Orr's. The Hawks hedged, and so Wineberg went to work on the fabulous pact which turned the famed Golden Jet into a Winnipeg Jet on June 27, 1972. Hull received a million just to sign, then $1.75 million spread over ten years. This was the same Hull who received a signing bonus of $100 from Chicago in the 1950s.

"It was a great contract, but Bobby's worth it," said Wineberg. "I think the salaries now are approaching a point where they're a little out of control. The players shouldn't get the idea the supply of money is unlimited. I'd like to see them getting less cash, and more of the other benefits, like pension and disability. But I can understand them wanting the money now that they feel it's there."

Like Gordie Howe. After a quarter century with the Detroit Red Wings, who never paid him more than $100,000, 45-year-old Gordie Howe last June left retirement for a four-year, $1 million pact with the Houston Aeros. But Gordie, who was given a team jacket for joining the Wings in 1945, didn't go to Texas only for the dough. He wanted to fulfill a lifelong dream of playing with his sons, Mark and Marty, both drafted by the Aeros.

Gordie, you see, was not only a great hockey player. He was smart. He raised his kids to be hockey players.

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that was proven a myth. Tetriak held his own against the combined forces of Ken Dryden and Tony Esposito so honors could be even this time around . . . depending upon what the Soviets come up with for the tour.

Physically, the Russians had been a doubtful quantity. It was recognized that they were fiends for conditioning, in the pure science of fitness probably surpassing the NHL. However, good condition and toughness can often be poles apart.

The Russians didn't encounter a particularly agressive Team Canada but, whenever it did become physical, they bounced back readily and maintained their cool. However, one of the highlights of the tour should be the meeting with Philadelphia . . . should the Flyers choose to attempt to intimidate. Given free rein, it could be the most interesting test of either series—this year's or last year's.

"The National Hockey League teams," Campbell mentioned, "are allowed—should they so desire—to acquire five players from any team not scheduled to play the Russians, to bolster themselves. The Russians have been given the same option and we felt it only fair that we should have the same."

Though, at press time, no NHL team had exercised that option, it was a major admission by the NHL that the Russians are, indeed, not to be taken lightly. Aside from pride demanding no additions be made to rosters, there is the fact as well that this is crucial schedule time and no 'outside' team would be too anxious to loan out players who might be injured. This was the major fear during last year's series.

Jackie Gordon is the rotund coach of the Minnesota North Stars. He smokes a pipe in scholarly, pensive fashion when he's not behind his team's bench. His clubs have gotten great mileage from sound, basic hockey—positional play, few errors and strong goaltending. Of the 'expansion' teams, his was the first to break through and win a playoff game—in fact, two—against old guard teams. That was against Montreal two years ago.

Gordon was the initial coach approached in this poll, shortly after Campbell's announcement. Some of his observations will be solved by now, at least what he considered problem areas. However, as the cool, dispassionate student, his initial reactions reflect the fears—not of the Russians but, rather, of participating NHL clubs.

"There are many elements," he nodded. "How much time will we have to prepare? We're into a 78-game schedule when they (the Russians) come and our players will be geared to

that . . . their primary purpose. The worst thing we could get is back to back . . . a league game one night, the Russians the next.

"The players are in a long schedule and adding a game hurts. We've got to be ready, to take this seriously. It's not just an exhibition game. Obviously it's a lot more than that . . . but convincing the players, I don't know. Maybe they'll respond on their own, maybe we can get them on a test of pride. Right now I don't know."

Gordon, who has been around hockey a long time, saw the Russians grow in stature and ability. He watched their early tours. "I watched them at tournaments in Winnipeg (where Canada's National team was once based) and saw them improve.

"After last year, we all have a good idea of what to expect. Team Canada stood still (didn't skate) for the early games but then, with conditioning and confidence, came on to win the series. That's the first thing we have to remember . . . not to stand still. Timing's important, as well. They're so practiced, their timing is so great. You have to match them."

Scouting? "We'll know them by game time and we've got Murray Williamson from the American national team, he knows them. And pride's going to mean a lot. J.P. Parise and Bill Goldsworthy know what it means. They were with Team Canada and talked about it all season. Like Williamson, they'll be big assets in knowing which Russians can do what."

Jean Guy Talbot has been around the NHL a long time, mostly as an all-star defenseman and more recently as coach of St. Louis. Effervescent, in the French-Canadian manner, he greets the Russian meeting as a happy event for both his team and fans of the Blues.

He weighed talk of Team Canada. "That was a long series, we are playing them just one game . . . and we're playing their 'B' team. Team Canada took awhile to get together, to become a team. We (NHL teams) could have a bit of an edge because we are playing as teams.

"We'll be far enough into the schedule that we'll be working as teams and that could be important, an advantage. But the big thing we'll have to do is skate," he said, echoing Gordon.

Talbot pauses. "Yes, we learned many things from last year. Positional hockey is important, not getting rattled . . . many things. We know they're tough now and that helps, in our own attitude."

Coaches don't go tipping strategic hands but Talbot grinned

at the thought of his goaltending. "We've got three guys I think are all good and one of them, Wayne Stephenson, has beaten the Russians. That's good, eh?"

Stephenson was Canada's National Team goaler in amateur for several years . . . working in the last tournament Canada played, in Stockholm, with none other than Ken Dryden.

"In fact," nods Talbot, "I've got a couple of fellows who are pretty familiar with the Russians. Frank Huck, Danny O'Shea and, I think, Ab DeMarco. They all came through the National team and have met the Russians many times. They know what it's about."

Many hockey fans, at least the older ones, still view the NHL as 'old' and 'new.' On this tour, the 'old' crowd is rated sound opposition while the 'new' is the question mark. However, that is old-fan thinking and the newer league members are convinced it is competitive or they wouldn't have accepted the tour.

But the fact remains that Boston looms an interesting situation. Though Bep Guidolin is the coach, Harry Sinden is the front office man who guided Team Canada. And Phil Esposito was the sparkplug of Team Canada. Regardless of which combinations the Russians send against the Bruins, this club should have the answers . . . if goaltending stands up. There is also the dimension that Bobby Orr—recovering from surgery—missed the Soviets in '72 but itched to get at them. How will the visitors react to the multi-dimensional talents of Orr?

New York Rangers, too, have some interesting advantages. One is the line of Vic Hadfield, Rod Gilbert and Jean Ratelle—fast and totally familiar as a line. It is doubtful if the Russians have ever faced such a swift and totally experienced unit anywhere, any time. Speed, positional play and exceptional goaltending give the Rangers a lot of weaponry.

Chicago's Billy Reay is a man noted for saying much but, what he says is usually worth a listen. His view: "An exhibition game? It's a little more than that. The prestige of the NHL is at stake."

When Reay's Black Hawks face the Russians, they'll have veterans of such activity—Tony Esposito, Pat Stapleton, Dennis Hull—in motion.

He is one of those who respects the Russians but has confidence that a club—as opposed to all-stars—has a good shot. Reay's knowledge of the USSR and hockey extends back to 1959 and he sees changes. "They're more individual now, they pass well and their stamina is something. They (Russian

officials) can control their players completely and that can be an advantage. Their offense is sound and tough. Last year we saw they can be just as tough as us if they have to be."

The Rangers and Buffalo have common ground. Hatfield was a member of Team Canada and left because he wasn't being used. It resulted in a lot of flak for Hadfield in Canadian rinks ("quitter" was the cry) and he'd welcome this chance against Russia. Gilbert Perreault was in a similar situation.

As Buffalo coach Joe Crozier puts it: "It (Team Canada's series) was very disappointing for us because our guys didn't play. Gil Perreault's the best center in hockey and he didn't play. That's a little ridiculous."

Now, Perreault has his opportunity and his coach is eager for the challenge. "It's an honor (to play them)," he says. He feels his club is the type to take them on—balanced, good skating and conditioning. "Conditioning? You know how we've approached camp; conditioning is a big part of it. We aim to peak in mid/or late November so the series comes at a good time for us."

His observations on the Russians—without tipping his hand on how to exploit weaknesses: "They don't like pressure . . . they like to have time to set up their plays. They don't go out of their way to get physical but, also, they're always on the offense . . . even when they're playing defense. Five guys are always in motion, going for the puck. They're great skaters, they move the puck well but they don't shoot often enough."

His summary on the game: "It's important to me and to the Sabres and our fans. We play every game to win and I'm not going to rest anyone. The way I look at it, we'll play them just like we play the Canadiens."

Ted Garvin is the new coach in Detroit and he is impressed by the Russians. "For anyone who wants to remember, I predicted hockey was in for a surprise last year. I said it because it was too early for Team Canada to tackle the job and because everyone was underestimating the Russians.

"For this one, we've got the kind of club to give them trouble . . . a lot of skating and some hitting. This time of year is ideal because the guys are peaking and enthusiastic, fresh. The Russians? I like the way they kill penalties, that diamond shaped-thing they rotated to keep the puck. They're good."

His view is that the NHL has to accept this type of challenge because, inevitably, the Russians are here to stay and all-star teams can't be used against them forever. "I want my club to skate with them, not to let them off the hook as Team

Canada did so often. I want to win but I can't do anything special because our guys know how important it is. If I add to that pressure, we're a nervous club and I don't want that."

Garvin allows that the Russian system is to produce carbon copy players. But "at that, they're all good. They all do the same things but they do them well. The goaler? Maybe he just had a hot series last year but we can't count on that. We have to figure he's good. I want to impress our guys that they have to get a little physical . . . and hope it carries into the NHL.

"The series is important because I'd like to win it but, most of all, if we knock them off, we gain a lot of confidence. That's the basic thing a win can do because I think everyone, now, accepts the fact they can ice a helluva hockey club."

Physical!

That may be the word most often surfacing when people speak of this series. It is still the 'x' factor in a game against the Russians: not because they aren't tough or conditioned or because their courage is in question. In international hockey, finesse is the game and the rules lean hard on those who get physical. So, the Russians haven't been overly exposed.

Fred Shero and his Philadelphia Flyers, naturally, leap into the spotlight on that score. They played last year as though they invited fighting and physical punishment.

"We'll play our style . . . rough and aggressive. I expect an aggressive game with plenty of hitting and we'll see what happens from there. I know that fighting means game disqualification internationally, but here we're playing our rules so we'll just see what happens."

Shero isn't promising a run-at-them game because his club always plays as situations dictate. However, he suggests: "We're no tougher than they are, physically, we're just more used to it. They play the puck, not the man. Canadian teams have always done well by playing the man.

"The big thing about this series is that we'll all be playing as teams. That thing last year was ridiculous. A team knows its own system, players know each other, they know styles. A team has a better chance. We've watched the Russian films and we know what we have to do. For instance, they can hem you in pretty good and run you in circles. We'll have to counteract that."

Shero, like many hockey leaders, takes the Russians seriously. Each game in this round is important. The series? "This is a stepping stone. We know that hockey is universal and we, over here, should react to whatever the challenge is."

OFFICIAL 1973-74 NHL SCHEDULE

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*Bos at Tor
NYR at NYI
Det at LA
Buf at St.L
Pitt at Van
Phil at Minn

Sun Mar 17
NYI at Mont
Tor at Phil
*NYR at Bos
Minn at Buf
Atl at Chi

Tues Mar 19
Tor at LA
St.L at NYI
Cal at Minn

Wed Mar 20
Det at Mont
Van at NYR
NYI at Pitt
Buf at Chi

Thurs Mar 21
NYR at Atl
St.L at Bos
Van at Phil
Cal at LA

Fri Mar 22
Tor at Cal

Sat Mar 23
St.L at Mont
NYR at Det
Buf at NYI
Atl at Bos
Van at LA
Chi at Phil
Pitt at Minn

Sun Mar 24
Mont at Bos
*Tor at Van
Buf at NYR
NYI at Atl
Det at Pitt
Minn at Chi
St.L at Phil
LA at Cal

Tues Mar 26
Mont at Van
LA at Minn

Wed Mar 27
Chi at Tor
Bos at NYR
NYI at Cal
Buf at Det
Phil at St.L
Minn at Pitt

Thurs Mar 28
NYI at LA
Chi at Buf
Phil at Atl

Fri Mar 29
Mont at Cal

Sat Mar 30
Mont at LA
NYR at Tor
NYI at Van
Bos at Phil
*Chi at Det
Pitt at St.L
Minn at Atl

Sun Mar 31
Tor at NYR
*Det at Bos
Minn at Buf
*Cal at Van
St.L at Chi
Atl at Pitt

Tues Apr 2
Pitt at NYI
Phil at Minn
Cal at St.L

Wed Apr 3
Tor at Mont
Det at NYR
Bos at Chi
Van at Cal
Atl at LA

Thurs Apr 4
NYI at Phil
Buf at Pitt

Fri Apr 5
LA at Van
Atl at Cal

Sat Apr 6
Bos at Mont
Buf at Tor
NYR at Det
Minn at NYI
Van at LA
Chi at St.L
Phil at Pitt

Sun Apr 7
Mont at NYR
Tor at Bos
Det at Chi
St.L at Buf
*Minn at Phil
Pitt at Atl

Hall of Fame

For "ability, integrity, character and their contribution to their team and the game of hockey in general," 191 men have been elected to the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto. Members must be players, referees or "builders," a category which includes club owners, league presidents, promoters and organizers. The builders are nominated by the Hall of Fame's governing committee, while players and referees are eligible for membership three years after their retirement.

Those who were elected to this honor in 1973 were:

Douglas Norman "Doug" Harvey—Seven-time winner of the James Norris Trophy as NHL's leading defenseman. Named to All-Star team 11 times in 17 seasons. Played the point on Montreal's awesome power play during the 1950s.

Claude Earl "Chuck" Rayner—Played 10 seasons in the NHL, all of them in New York. Had 25 career shutouts and was named to All-Star team three times. Named winner of the Hart Trophy as Most Valuable Player in 1949-50, only the second goalie ever to win that award.

Thomas Smith—An early era star, played for three Stanley Cup champion teams before formation of the National Hockey League. Won three scoring titles and twice scored nine goals in a single game. Also had an eight-goal game, a six-goal game and five times scored five goals in a game.

Frank Udvari—Only the eighth referee elected to the Hall of Fame and the first in nine years when he was named in 1973. Officiated through 1966 and has been a supervisor of officials for league ever since.

Sen. Hartland de Montarville Molson—Former owner of the Montreal Canadiens, elected in the builders' category.

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Final Standings

EASTERN	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
New England..	78	46	30	2	94	318	263
Cleveland....	78	43	32	3	89	287	239
Philadelphia.	78	38	40	0	76	288	305
Ottawa.....	78	35	39	4	74	279	301
Quebec.....	78	33	40	5	71	276	313
New York.....	78	33	43	2	68	303	334

WESTERN	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Winnipeg.....	78	43	31	4	90	285	249
Houston.....	78	39	35	4	82	284	269
Los Angeles..	78	37	35	6	80	259	250
Alberta.....	78	38	37	3	79	269	256
Minnesota....	78	38	37	3	79	250	269
Chicago.....	78	26	50	2	54	245	295

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No.	Player, Team	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM	PPG	WG	TC	PP	SH
1.	Andre Lacroix, Philadelphia..	78	50	74	124	83	1.59	11	44	16	0
2.	Ron Ward, New York.....	77	51	67	118	28	1.53	5	35	12	1
3.	Danny Lawson, Philadelphia...	78	61	45	106	35	1.36	6	40	20	3
4.	Tom Webster, New England.....	77	53	50	103	89	1.34	6	36	12	0
4.	Bobby Hull, Winnipeg.....	63	51	52	103	37	1.63	7	33	14	2
4.	Norm Beaudin, Winnipeg.....	78	38	65	103	15	1.32	5	31	5	0
7.	Chris Bordeleau, Winnipeg....	78	47	54	101	12	1.29	7	34	6	3
8.	Terry Caffery, New England...	74	39	61	100	14	1.35	7	30	9	1
9.	Gordon Labossiere, Houston...	77	36	60	96	56	1.25	1	27	10	0
10.	Wayne Carleton, Ottawa.....	76	42	49	91	42	1.20	4	29	6	1
11.	J.C. Tremblay, Quebec.....	75	14	75	89	32	1.19	3	8	4	0
12.	Bobby Sheehan, New York.....	75	35	53	88	17	1.17	5	25	18	0
12.	Bobby Sicinski, Chicago.....	77	25	63	88	18	1.14	2	16	7	1
14.	Jim Harrison, Alberta.....	65	39	48	87	93	1.34	6	29	8	6
14.	Larry Pleau, New England.....	78	39	48	87	42	1.12	4	25	10	0
16.	Ron Buchanan, Cleveland.....	75	37	44	81	20	1.08	5	28	6	0
17.	Gary Jarrett, Cleveland.....	77	40	38	78	79	1.01	7	34	8	0
17.	John McKenzie, Philadelphia..	60	28	50	78	157	1.30	7	18	8	1
19.	Wayne Rivers, New York.....	75	37	40	77	47	1.03	4	32	4	0
20.	Ted Taylor, Houston.....	72	34	42	76	101	1.06	4	23	5	1
21.	Gary Veneruzzo, Los Angeles..	78	43	30	73	34	.94	5	33	13	0
21.	Bryan Campbell, Philadelphia.	75	25	48	73	85	.97	1	16	6	0
21.	Michel Parizeau, Quebec.....	75	25	48	73	50	.97	4	17	10	1
24.	Don Herriman, Philadelphia...	78	24	48	72	63	.92	4	19	9	0
25.	Gene Peacosh, New York.....	67	37	34	71	23	1.06	3	26	10	1
25.	Tim Sheehy, New England.....	78	33	38	71	30	.91	4	22	4	0
25.	Jim Wiste, Cleveland.....	70	28	43	71	24	1.01	3	20	4	0
25.	Andre Gaudette, Quebec.....	76	27	44	71	12	.93	3	22	0	5
29.	Wayne Connelly, Minnesota....	78	40	30	70	16	.90	6	31	10	0
29.	Murray Hall, Houston.....	76	28	42	70	84	.92	6	21	7	2
31.	Rosaire Paiement, Chicago....	78	33	36	69	137	.88	4	22	5	0
31.	J.P. LeBlanc, Los Angeles....	77	19	50	69	49	.90	3	14	2	1
33.	Norm Ferguson, New York.....	56	28	40	68	8	1.21	5	25	8	1
33.	Gavin Kirk, Ottawa.....	78	28	40	68	54	.87	2	24	5	0
33.	Reggie Fleming, Chicago.....	74	23	45	68	95	.92	2	17	7	1
36.	Gerry Pinder, Cleveland.....	78	30	36	66	121	.85	3	21	7	3
36.	Larry Lund, Houston.....	77	21	45	66	120	.86	2	15	4	0
38.	Jan Popiel, Chicago.....	76	31	34	65	77	.86	4	25	5	0
39.	Poul Popiel, Houston.....	73	16	48	64	153	.88	2	12	5	0
40.	Alain Caron, Quebec.....	68	36	27	63	14	.93	5	24	15	0
40.	Bob Charlebois, Ottawa.....	78	24	39	63	28	.81	5	21	5	1
40.	Jim Dorey, New England.....	75	7	56	63	95	.84	1	5	0	1
43.	Ted Hampson, Minnesota.....	76	17	45	62	20	.82	2	14	4	0
44.	Al Hamilton, Alberta.....	78	11	49	60	126	.77	1	10	2	1
45.	John French, New England.....	74	24	35	59	43	.80	3	20	2	0
46.	Billy Klatt, Minnesota.....	78	36	22	58	22	.74	5	28	12	0
46.	Guy Trottier, Ottawa.....	72	26	32	58	25	.81	1	19	10	0
46.	Ross Perkins, Alberta.....	71	21	37	58	19	.82	2	19	5	0
46.	Larry Hornung, Winnipeg.....	77	13	45	58	28	.75	2	8	5	2
46.	Ken Block, New York.....	78	5	53	58	43	.74	1	3	0	1

Goaltending

	Min.	GPI	W	L	T	Pct.	SOG	GA	SVS	GAA	EN	SA%	GAF	SG	SP
CLEVELAND	4757	78	43	32	3	.570	2581	237	2344	2.98	2	.908	10.89	5	90
Gerry Cheevers.	3144	52	32	20	0	.615	1695	149	1546	2.83	2	.912	11.37	5	64
Bob Whidden....	1609	26	11	12	3	.480	886	88	798	3.28	0	.900	10.06	0	26
WINNIPEG	4750	78	43	31	4	.576	2252	245	2007	3.09	4	.891	9.19	4	96
Joe Daley.....	1718	29	17	10	1	.625	776	83	693	2.89	2	.893	9.34	2	35
Ernie Wakely...	2894	49	26	19	3	.572	1411	152	1259	3.15	2	.892	9.28	2	60
Gordon Tumilson	138	3	0	2	0	.000	65	10	55	4.34	0	.846	6.50	0	1
LOS ANGELES	4765	78	37	35	6	.512	2106	247	1859	3.11	3	.882	8.52	3	88
Bob Perreault..	60	1	1	0	0	1.000	17	2	15	2.00	0	.882	8.50	0	1
Russ Gillow....	1982	38	17	13	2	.562	851	96	755	2.88	3	.887	8.86	2	36
George Gardner.	2713	49	19	22	4	.466	1238	149	1089	3.29	0	.879	8.30	1	51
ALBERTA	4739	78	38	37	3	.506	2487	252	2235	3.19	4	.898	9.86	2	89
Jack Norris....	3705	64	28	29	3	.491	1947	189	1758	3.06	3	.902	10.30	1	71
Ken Brown.....	1034	20	10	8	0	.555	540	63	477	3.65	1	.883	8.57	1	18
MINNESOTA	4760	78	38	37	3	.506	2653	263	2390	3.31	6	.900	10.08	5	96
Carl Wetzel....	60	1	0	1	0	.000	35	3	32	3.00	0	.914	11.66	-	1
Mike Curran....	2540	44	23	17	2	.571	1437	131	1306	3.09	3	.908	10.69	4	53
Jack McCartan..	2160	38	15	19	1	.442	1181	129	1052	3.58	3	.890	9.15	1	42
NEW ENGLAND	4732	78	46	30	2	.602	2432	262	2161	3.32	1	.891	9.24	4	80
Al Smith.....	3059	51	31	19	1	.617	1535	162	1373	3.17	1	.894	9.47	3	54
Bruce Landon...	1671	30	15	11	1	.574	888	100	788	3.59	0	.887	8.88	1	26

HOUSTON	4743	78	39	35	4	.525	2510	264	2246	3.33	5	.894	9.50	1	77
Wayne Rutledge.	2223	37	21	14	2	.594	1192	110	1082	2.96	3	.907	10.83	0	41
Don McLeod.....	2350	40	18	20	1	.474	1230	143	1087	3.65	1	.883	8.60	1	33
Bill Hughes....	170	3	0	1	1	.250	88	11	77	3.88	1	.875	8.00	0	3
CHICAGO	4750	78	26	50	2	.346	2747	289	2458	3.65	6	.894	9.50	1	77
Jim McLeod.....	2996	54	22	25	2	.469	1742	166	1576	3.32	4	.904	10.49	1	55
Andre Gill.....	1709	33	4	24	0	.142	982	118	864	4.14	2	.879	8.32	0	22
Paul Menard....	45	1	0	1	0	.000	23	5	18	6.66	0	.782	4.60	0	0
OTTAWA	4738	78	35	39	4	.474	2508	296	2212	3.74	5	.881	8.47	0	71
Gilles Gratton.	3021	51	25	22	3	.530	1591	187	1404	3.71	4	.882	8.50	0	45
Les Binkley....	1709	30	10	17	1	.375	900	106	794	3.72	1	.882	8.49	0	26
Frank Blum.....	28	2	0	0	0	.000	17	3	14	6.42	0	.823	5.66	0	0
PHILADELPHIA	4707	78	38	40	0	.487	2534	297	2237	3.78	8	.882	8.53	2	72
Danny Sullivan.	60	1	1	0	0	1.000	34	3	31	3.00	0	.912	11.33	0	0
Bernie Parent..	3653	63	33	28	0	.540	1936	220	1716	3.61	5	.886	8.80	2	61
Yves Archambault	260	6	1	3	0	.250	122	17	105	3.92	0	.861	7.18	0	2
Tom Cottringer.	122	2	1	1	0	.500	65	8	57	3.93	0	.877	8.13	0	2
Marcel Paille..	611	15	2	8	0	.200	377	49	328	4.81	3	.865	7.69	0	7
QUEBEC	4758	78	33	40	5	.455	2713	313	2400	3.94	0	.884	8.66	2	67
Serge Aubry....	3036	52	25	22	3	.530	1781	182	1599	3.59	0	.897	9.78	2	47
Jacques Lemelin	434	9	3	4	0	.429	199	29	170	4.00	0	.854	6.86	0	6
Richard Brodeur	1288	24	5	14	2	.285	733	102	631	4.75	0	.860	7.18	0	14
NEW YORK	4740	78	33	43	2	.435	2534	332	2202	4.20	2	.868	7.63	2	66
Peter Donnelly.	2606	47	22	19	2	.534	1328	155	1173	3.56	1	.883	8.56	2	44
Gary Kurt.....	1881	36	10	21	0	.322	1034	150	884	4.78	1	.854	6.89	0	21
Ian Wilkie.....	253	5	1	3	0	.250	172	27	145	6.40	0	.843	6.35	0	1

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FINAL STANDING

EASTERN	Games Played	Games Won	Games Lost	Games Tied	Goals For	Goals Against	Points
Nova Scotia	76	43	18	15	316	191	101
Boston	76	34	29	13	248	256	81
Rochester	76	33	31	12	239	276	78
Providence	76	32	30	14	253	255	78
Springfield	76	18	42	16	265	344	52
New Haven	76	16	40	20	246	331	52
WESTERN							
Cincinnati	76	54	17	5	351	206	113
Hershey	76	42	23	11	326	231	95
Virginia	76	38	22	16	258	221	92
Richmond	76	30	36	10	272	280	70
Jacksonville	76	23	44	9	251	329	55
Baltimore	76	17	48	11	210	315	45

FINAL SCORING

PLAYER	TEAM	Regular GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	Playoffs GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
Yvon Lambert	Nova Scotia	76	52	52	104	84	13	9	9	18	32
Tony Featherstone	Nova Scotia	74	49	54	103	78	13	10	13	23	34
Morris Stefaniw	Nova Scotia	64	30	71	101	80	13	8	17	25	12
Billy Inglis	Cincinnati	75	40	57	97	29	15	8	7	15	12
Gil Gilbert	Hershey	71	31	58	89	8	7	3	8	11	2
Rene Drolet	Richmond	76	34	53	87	30	4	2	1	3	0
Orest Kindrachuk	Richmond	72	35	51	86	133	3	0	1	1	10
Rick Dudley	Cincinnati	64	40	44	84	159	15	7	15	22	56
Danny Schock	Richmond	74	48	36	84	37	4	1	3	4	0
Phil Hoene	Springfield	70	36	44	80	17	....	....	....	....	....
Joe Robertson	Cincinnati	76	30	50	80	125	15	8	9	17	33
Art Stratton	Virginia	76	30	50	80	32	12	4	4	8	0
Gary Gambucci	Jacksonville	75	26	50	76	47	....	....	....	....	....
Jim Wiley	Hershey	71	30	45	75	30	7	1	1	2	6
Bob Rivard	Baltimore	76	25	50	75	28	....	....	....	....	....
Rich Leduc	Boston	65	31	42	73	75	10	9	5	14	4
Randy Rota	Nova Scotia	73	34	38	72	23	13	10	7	17	10
Barry Merrell	Rochester	74	32	40	72	51	6	2	8	10	2
John Gould	Cincinnati	56	30	42	72	71	15	10	6	16	9
Dave Gardner	Nova Scotia	66	28	44	72	15	13	5	6	11	4
Ron Snell	Hershey	75	33	38	71	90	7	1	5	6	4
Doug Rombough	Cincinnati	66	28	43	71	48	14	10	8	18	26
Jake Rathwell	Cincinnati	76	27	44	71	78	15	4	8	12	22
Ron Anderson	Boston	73	41	29	70	53	....	....	....	....	....
Steve West	Jacksonville	76	27	42	69	51	....	....	....	....	....
Mike Chernoff	Jacksonville	76	35	33	68	37	....	....	....	....	....
Bob Gryp	Boston	76	38	28	66	99	7	3	1	4	4
Dave Pulkkinen	New Haven	75	25	41	66	55	....	....	....	....	....
Murray Kuntz	Cincinnati	63	35	30	65	10	13	4	4	8	6
Ted Snell	Hershey	72	29	35	64	23	6	0	3	3	0
Billy Heindl	Providence	66	21	43	64	10	4	1	0	1	2
Ross Webley	Springfield	74	28	35	63	10	....	....	....	....	....
Marc Dufour	Baltimore	67	30	32	62	16	....	....	....	....	....
Bob Kelley	Rochester	70	27	35	62	206	6	4	4	8	18
Jim Nichols	Cincinnati	72	26	36	62	19	12	1	4	5	2
Norm Dube	Springfield	66	30	30	60	21	....	....	....	....	....
Gerry Butler	Providence	64	29	30	59	97	4	1	2	3	11
Steve Richardson	Cincinnati	74	24	35	59	61	15	6	8	14	12
Brian Murphy	Baltimore	73	23	36	59	53	....	....	....	....	....
Robbie Ftorek	Virginia	55	17	42	59	36	5	2	2	4	4
Nelson Debenedet	Virginia	76	29	27	56	64	13	2	5	7	6
Billy Knibbs	Providence	67	17	39	56	32	4	0	1	1	0
Rich McCann	Virginia	66	12	44	56	75	11	1	9	10	4
Rod Norrish	Jacksonville	76	22	33	55	22	....	....	....	....	....

PLAYER	TEAM	Regular GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	Playoffs GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
Rick Pagnutti	Rochester	72	18	37	55	64	6	3	2	5	4
Craig Sarner	Boston	74	27	27	54	16	5	2	3	5	2
Herb Boxer	Virginia	76	22	32	54	46	13	5	4	9	6
Chris Oddliefson	Boston	63	12	42	54	127	10	3	6	9	41
Tom Cassidy	Baltimore	73	21	32	53	86	....	....	....	....	....
Larry Wright	Richmond	61	26	25	51	29	4	1	3	4	2
Alan MacAdam	Richmond	68	19	32	51	42	4	0	2	2	0
John Healey	Springfield	76	19	32	51	18	....	....	....	....	....
Skeeter Teal	New Haven	69	18	34	51	6	....	....	....	....	....
Terry Gray	New Haven	71	25	25	50	40	....	....	....	....	....
Hugh Harvey	Hershey	70	23	27	50	89	7	6	2	8	2
Larry McKillop	Rochester	75	17	33	50	41	6	3	5	8	2

GOALTENDERS' RECORDS — REGULAR SCHEDULE

Player	Team	Games Played	Minutes Played	Goals Against	Shut-Outs	Average
Michel Deguise	Nova Scotia	28	1551	68	1	2.63 (1)
Michel Larocque	Nova Scotia	47	2705	113	1	2.50 (2)
Wayne Thomas	Nova Scotia	6	300	8	1	1.60
Gary Bromley	Cincinnati	31	1711	76	0	2.66
Rocky Farr	Cincinnati	48	2746	121	3	2.64 (2)
Tim Regan	Cincinnati	2	102	7	0	4.11
Doug Grant	Virginia	51	3037	129	6	2.54 (1)
John Voss	Virginia	9	506	31	1	3.66
George Hulme	Virginia	19	1098	64	0	3.49 (2)
Paul Hoganson	Hershey	41	2251	110	3	2.98 (4)
Dennis Herron	Hershey	21	1185	63	0	3.19 (1)
Cam Newton	Hershey	19	1121	53	2	2.83
John Adams	Boston	23	1179	65	1	3.30 (2)
Dave Reece	Boston	41	2183	112	3	3.07 (1)
Charles Goddard	Boston	5	210	10	1	2.85
Don Wallis	Boston	13	605	47	0	4.66 (1)
Ross Brooks	Boston	7	379	16	0	2.52 (1)
Rick Charron	Providence	22	1159	80	0	4.10 (1)
Wayne Wood	Providence	58	3393	171	4	3.02 (3)
Lynn Zimmerman	Rochester	58	3264	192	2	3.54 (1)
Gaye Cooley	Rochester	24	1272	78	0	3.67 (1)
Pat Flaherty	Rochester	2	20	4	0	9.00
John Garrett	Richmond	37	2138	117	0	3.26 (1)
Roger Kosar	Richmond	21	1058	72	1	4.13 (1)
Michel Belhumeur	Richmond	12	671	49	0	4.38
Steve Eckerson	Richmond	1	60	4	0	4.00
Bob Taylor	Richmond	6	337	23	0	4.09
Jim Park	Richmond	4	170	8	0	2.82
Ray Boutin	Richmond	2	118	5	0	2.51
Jim Shaw	Baltimore	47	2653	161	2	3.64 (6)
Ken Lockett	Baltimore	32	1809	139	0	4.57 (3)
Fern Rivard	Jacksonville	65	3643	250	2	4.11 (5)
Ted Ouimet	Jacksonville	19	909	74	0	4.88
Gerry Gray	New Haven	36	2071	156	0	4.51
Glenn Resch	New Haven	43	2408	166	0	4.13 (1)
Ray Gibbs	New Haven	2	73	8	0	6.60
Bob Vroman	Springfield	30	1521	122	0	4.81 (2)
Robert Sneddon	Springfield	36	1936	133	0	4.12 (2)
Bernie Germain	Springfield	19	977	76	0	4.66
Ray Martyniuk	Springfield	2	120	9	0	4.50

( ) Indicates goal scored into open net, not charged to goalie's record.

1973 CENTRAL HOCKEY LEAGUE STATISTICS

FINAL STANDINGS

Team	Games Played	Games Won	Games Lost	Games Tied	Goals For	Goals Against	Points
Dallas	72	38	23	11	256	208	87
Omaha	72	35	27	10	262	263	80
Ft. Worth	72	31	35	6	254	267	68
Tulsa	72	26	37	9	259	308	61

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY RECORDS

NAME	TEAM	(Regular Season) GP	G	A	TP	PIM	(Playoffs) GP	G	A	TP	PIM
Lyle Moffat	Tulsa	71	40	40	80	108	...	...	...	...	...
Dan Gruen	Ft. Worth	68	35	45	80	194	4	4	1	5	9
Reg Bechtold	Tulsa	70	40	39	79	23	...	...	...	...	...
Lynn Powis	Omaha	72	34	40	74	49	11	2	5	7	8
Mike Cormier	Ft. Worth	72	35	38	73	24	4	0	1	1	0
Bob Collyard	Ft. Worth	67	17	50	67	53	4	2	3	5	2
Wayne Schaab	Omaha	71	31	35	66	30	10	0	9	9	6
Don Gordon	Dallas	72	28	35	63	68	3	3	0	2	0
Dave Kryskow	Dallas	52	34	28	62	110	7	2	3	5	4
Moe L'Abbe	Dallas	67	28	34	62	18	7	4	6	10	0
Bob Roselle	Tulsa	61	21	36	57	16	...	...	...	...	...
Allie Sutherland	Omaha	71	23	30	53	182	6	3	5	8	10
Walt Ledingham	Dallas	62	22	31	53	55	7	4	3	7	4
Al Genovy	Ft. Worth	66	23	29	52	49	4	2	2	4	4
Alan Young	Omaha	67	18	34	52	69	11	5	4	9	2
Bryan McKenzie	Omaha	64	16	36	52	71	9	5	4	9	28
Dan Martineau	Omaha	72	22	28	50	170	11	1	2	3	36
Mike Baumgartner	Dallas	72	10	37	47	75	4	0	2	2	4
Larry Giroux	Ft. Worth	72	5	42	47	130	4	0	0	0	24
Bernie Gagnon	Ft. Worth	36	25	20	45	50	4	0	2	2	2
Jim Paterson	Ft. Worth	72	16	28	44	14	4	0	1	1	5

GOALKEEPER'S RECORDS 1972-73 SEASON AND PLAYOFFS

NAME	TEAM	Regular Season GPI	MIN	GA	SO	AVG	Playoffs GPI	MIN	GA	SO	AVG
Michel Dumas	Dallas	37	2160	108 (1)	1	3.00	4	200	16	0	4.80
Mike Veisor	Dallas	39	2160	99	4	2.75	4	219	14	0	3.83
Ray Reeson	Omaha	42	2351	132 (1)	1	3.36	9	555	22 (2)	1	2.38
Wayne Bell	Omaha	32	1769	120	1	4.07	2	120	5	0	2.50
Ted Lenssen	Omaha	4	200	10	0	3.00	...	...	...	...	...
Andy Brown	Ft. Worth	22	1300	86 (1)	2	3.97	...	...	...	...	...
Jim Watt	Ft. Worth	7	335	26	0	4.65	...	...	...	...	...
Denis DeJordy	Ft. Worth	10	560	41 (1)	0	4.39	...	...	...	...	...
Glen Seperich	Ft. Worth	4	240	10	0	2.50	...	...	...	...	...
George Hulme	Ft. Worth	22	1254	75	0	3.59	4	255	17	0	4.00
Ron Marlow	Ft. Worth	13	631	27	0	2.56	...	...	...	...	...
Gord McRae	Tulsa	42	2459	154 (1)	3	3.75	...	...	...	...	...
Grant Cole	Tulsa	26	1332	112 (2)	0	5.04	...	...	...	...	...
Don Wallis	Tulsa	6	360	26	0	4.33	...	...	...	...	...
J. L. Levasseur	Tulsa	4	169	13	1	4.62	...	...	...	...	...

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1973 WESTERN HOCKEY LEAGUE STATISTICS

FINAL STANDINGS

	Games Played	Won	Lost	Tied	Goals For	Goals Against	Points
Phoenix	72	37	26	9	310	250	83
Salt Lake	72	32	25	15	288	259	79
San Diego	72	32	29	11	239	223	75
Denver	72	27	32	13	264	275	67
Seattle	72	26	32	14	270	286	66
Portland	72	21	39	12	226	287	54

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AND PENALTY STATISTICS

Name	Team	Regular Schedule GP	G	A	TP	PIM	Playoffs GP	G	A	TP	PIM
Bob Walton	SEA	72	40	61	101	43	...	...	...	...	...
Murray Heatley	PHX	72	43	55	98	62	10	4	8	12	16
Art Jones	POR	66	34	55	89	42	...	...	...	...	...
Lyle Bradley	SLC	71	29	58	87	83	9	1	4	5	15
Ron Huston	SLC	72	42	42	84	21	9	6	7	13	2
Dany Seguin	SEA	72	32	47	79	66	...	...	...	...	...
Andre Hinse	PHX	72	34	42	77	25	10	8	7	15	7
Norm Dennis	DEN	72	27	50	77	35	5	4	1	5	0
Dave Dunn	SEA	63	19	56	75	147	...	...	...	...	...
Don Borgeson	DEN	71	31	41	72	66	5	2	3	5	2
Jim Boyd	PHX	72	22	50	72	58	10	3	8	11	10
Bob Courcy	SND	71	33	38	71	6	6	2	3	5	2
Murray Keogan	DEN	72	34	35	69	51	5	0	2	2	7
Gerry Goyer	SND	70	28	41	69	36	6	0	1	1	13
Bob Barlow	PHX	51	26	42	68	41	10	4	7	11	28
Andy Hebenton	POR	72	30	36	66	26	...	...	...	...	...
Jim Murray	PHX	72	10	53	63	138	10	1	6	7	8
John Gofton	PHX	68	36	26	62	67	10	5	5	10	4
Jack Borotsik	DEN	71	24	38	62	15	5	1	1	2	0
Bill Saunders	POR	68	23	39	62	38	...	...	...	...	...
Don Westbrooke	SEA	71	28	32	60	43	...	...	...	...	...
Howie Young	PHX	71	20	38	58	223	10	1	5	6	31
Guyle Fielder	POR	70	11	47	58	4	...	...	...	...	...

GOALTENDERS' RECORDS — 1972-73

Name	Team	Regular Schedule GPI	MINS	GA	SO	AVE.	Playoffs GPI	MINS	GA	SO	AVE.
Ken Broderick	SND	51	2977	146	3	2.94 (3)	3	145	17	0	7.02
Bob Champoux	SND	24	1339	74	1	3.31	4	214	10	1	2.80
Don Caley	PHX	39	2236	128	2	3.43	8	435	23	1	3.17
Gary Simmons	PHX	36	2078	119	1	3.44 (3)	3	166	10	0	3.61
Bob Johnson	DEN	30	1589	91	2	3.44	4	245	16	0	3.92
Ted Tucker	SLC	33	1919	112	1	3.50	6	427	26	0	3.63
Lyle Carter	SLC	35	2009	120	1	3.58 (1)	2	120	7	0	3.50
Bruce Bullock	SEA	13	750	45	0	3.60 (1)	...	...	...	...	...
Dan Brady	SEA	52	2812	180	0	3.84 (1)	...	...	...	...	...
Phil Headley	POR	31	1860	119	1	3.84	...	...	...	...	...
Jim Watt	DEN	15	791	53	0	4.02	...	...	...	...	...
Chris Worthy	DEN	37	1929	131	0	4.07	1	59	5	0	5.10
Dave Kelly	POR	24	1389	100	0	4.32 (2)	...	...	...	...	...
Ray Martynuik	SLC	6	360	26	0	4.33	...	...	...	...	...
Ed Dyck	SEA	13	617	50	0	4.86 (2)	...	...	...	...	...

( ) Indicates goals scored into empty net; not charged against goaltender.

1973-74 OFFICIAL WHA SCHEDULE

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Sat Oct 6
NY at Cle

Sun Oct 7
Chi at Tor
NE at Que

Tues Oct 9
NY at Tor
Que at NE

Wed Oct 10
Winn at Van

Thurs Oct 11
Que at Tor
Chi at NY

Fri Oct 12
Winn at Edm
Van at Minn

Sat Oct 13
Hou at LA
Que at Cle
*Chi at NE

Sun Oct 14
Hou at Edm
Van at Winn
Minn at Tor
*NE at NY
Chi at Cle

Mon Oct 15
Minn at NE

Tues Oct 16
Tor at LA

Wed Oct 17
Hou at Van
Winn at NE

Thurs Oct 18
Chi at LA
Tor at Que
Winn at NY

Fri Oct 19
Van at Edm
NE at Minn

Sat Oct 20
Chi at Van
NY at Que
Tor at Cle

Sun Oct 21
*LA at Van
Chi at Edm
Minn at Winn
Cle at Hou
NE at Tor
*Que at NY

Mon Oct 22
NY at NE

Tues Oct 23
Tor at Edm
Cle at LA

Wed Oct 24
Tor at Edm
LA at Hou
Minn at NY

Thurs Oct 25
Chi at Que
NE at NY

Fri Oct 26
Tor at Winn
Que at Minn
LA at Cle

Sat Oct 27
Edm at Van
Winn at Minn
*LA at NE
Hou at Cle

Sun Oct 28
Van at Edm
Que at Hou
Chi at Tor
*LA at NY

Tues Oct 30
Winn at Chi
Minn at Hou
Que at LA

Wed Oct 31
Winn at Cle
Que at Van

Fri Nov 2
Que at Edm
NY at Winn
Minn at LA

Sat Nov 3
NY at Van
LA at Hou
*Tor at NE
Chi at Cle

Sun Nov 4
*NY at Van
Minn at Edm
Que at Winn
LA at Tor
Cle at NE

Tues Nov 6
NY at Edm
Winn at Que
LA at Chi

Wed Nov 7
LA at Van
NY at Minn
Tor at Hou
Winn at NE

Thurs Nov 8
Edm at Que

Fri Nov 9
Van at Minn
Tor at LA

Sat Nov 10
Van at Hou
*Edm at NE
*Que at NY
Winn at Cle
Tor at Chi

Sun Nov 11
LA at Winn
Cle at Minn
Edm at Tor
NE at Que

Mon Nov 12
NY at NE

Tues Nov 13
LA at Edm
Hou at Minn
Cle at Chi
Winn at Van

Thurs Nov 15
Minn at Van

*DENOTES AFTERNOON GAME

Hou at Chi
NE at Que

Fri Nov 16
Edm at Winn
Cle at LA

Sat Nov 17
*Hou at NY
Tor at Chi
*Que at NE

Sun Nov 18
*Cle at Van
Minn at Edm
NE at LA
Winn at Tor
Hou at Que
*Chi at NY

Tue Nov 20
Cle at Edm
Minn at LA

Wed Nov 21
Cle at Winn
NE at Hou

Thurs Nov 22
Edm at Van
NE at Minn
Chi at LA
Tor at Que

Fri Nov 23
Van at Winn
Edm at LA
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Sat Nov 24
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Sun Nov 25
Winn at Minn
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NY at NE

Tues Nov 27
Winn at LA
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Thurs Nov 29
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Edm at NY

Fri Nov 30
LA at Winn
Tor at Minn

Sat Dec 1
Hou at Que
Edm at Cle
LA at Chi

Sun Dec 2
Que at Winn
Hou at Tor
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Edm at Cle

Tues Dec 4
LA at Minn
Edm at Chi

Wed Dec 5
Tor at Van
Edm at Winn
NY at Hou

Thurs Dec 6
Tor at Edm
Cle at NY
Hou vs LA at
Long Beach

Fri Dec 7
Tor at Winn
Van at Minn

Sat Dec 8
Que at Minn
NE at Cle
NY at Chi

Sun Dec 9
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NY at Winn
Minn at Tor
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Tues Dec 11
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LA at Edm
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Thurs Dec 13
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Tues Jan 1
Winn at Edm
Cle at Tor
Van at Chi

Wed Jan 2
Tor at NY

Thurs Jan 3
All-Stars at St. Paul

Fri Jan 4
NE at Winn
Edm at LA

Sat Jan 5
Van at Que
*Hou at NY
NE at Cle
Minn at Chi

Sun Jan 6
Edm at Minn
Winn at Hou
NY at Tor
Chi at Que
Van at Cle

Mon Jan 7
Tor at NE
Van at NY

Tues Jan 8
Edm at Hou
Winn at LA
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Fri Jan 25
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ALL-TIME NHL RECORDS

Game

MOST GOALS: 7, Joe Malone, Quebec Bulldogs, Jan. 31, 1920 vs. Toronto St. Pats
(Modern)
6, Syd Howe, Detroit Red Wings, Feb. 3, 1944 vs. New York Rangers
6, Red Berenson, St. Louis Blues, Nov. 7, 1968 vs. Philadelphia Flyers

MOST ASSISTS: 7, Bill Taylor, Detroit Red Wings, Mar. 16, 1947 vs. Chicago Black Hawks

MOST POINTS: 8, Maurice Richard, Montreal Canadiens, Dec. 28, 1944 vs. Detroit (five goals, three assists)
8, Bert Olmstead, Montreal Canadiens, Jan. 9, 1954 vs. Chicago (four goals, four assists)

MOST PENALTY MINUTES: 48, Jim Dorey, Toronto Maple Leafs, October 16, 1968 vs. Pittsburgh

Season

MOST GOALS: 76, Phil Esposito, Boston Bruins, 1970-71

MOST ASSISTS: 102, Bobby Orr, Boston Bruins, 1970-71

MOST POINTS: 152, Phil Esposito, Boston Bruins, 1970-71

MOST SHUTOUTS: 22, George Hainsworth, Montreal Canadiens, 1928-29; (Modern). 15, Tony Esposito, Chicago Black Hawks, 1969-70

MOST PENALTY MINUTES: 291, Keith Magnuson, Chicago Black Hawks, 1970-71

MOST POINTS BY A ROOKIE: 77, Marcel Dionne, Detroit Red Wings, 1971-72

MOST ASSISTS BY A GOALIE: 3, Bernie Parent, Philadelphia Flyers, 1969-70; 3, Ken Dryden, Montreal Canadiens, 1971-72

Career

MOST SEASONS: 25, Gordie Howe, Detroit Red Wings, 1946-47 to 1970-71

MOST GAMES: 1,687, Gordie Howe, Detroit Red Wings

MOST GOALS: 786, Gordie Howe, Detroit Red Wings

MOST ASSISTS: 1,023, Gordie Howe, Detroit Red Wings

MOST POINTS: 1,809, Gordie Howe, Detroit Red Wings

MOST PENALTY MINUTES: 1,808, Ted Lindsay, Detroit and Chicago

MOST SHUTOUTS: 103, Terry Sawchuk, Detroit, Boston Toronto, Los Angeles, New York

MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES: 630, Andy Hebenton, New York and Boston, 1955-56 to 1963-64

On May 19, 1974, the Philadelphia Flyers, a former expansion team in the National Hockey League, would win their first Stanley Cup.

I hope you enjoyed taking a look back at 1973 in hockey history!